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City of Boston.

January 4. 1864.

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This being the day assigned by law for the organization of the City Government for the present year the following gentlemen appeared and took their seats - viz:

Mayor

Frederic W. Lincoln, Jr.

Mayor

Aldermen.

George W. Messinger.

George W. Warren.

Aldermen

Olis Norcross.

Nathaniel C. Nash.

Robert Marsh.

William W. Clapp, Jr.

L. Miles Standish.

George W. Sprague.

Sylvanus A. Denio.

Daniel Davies.

Hiram A. Stevens.

Charles F. Dana.

Mr. Coolidge of Ward 6. came up with a message informing this Branch that a quorum of the Common Council were present in their Chamber, and were ready to be qualified.

Organization.

The two branches of the City Council accordingly assembled.

In Convention.

Prayer having been offered by the Rev^d. Rollin A. Neale, D.D. the oaths of office were administered by the Hon. George T. Bigelow, Chief Justice of the Commonwealth, to the Mayor, who in turn administered them to the Aldermen above named, and then to the following members of the Common Council

viz:

Common
Council.

Ward 1.

Matthew Keany.
Jabez F. Steves.
Albert I. Pratt

Ward 5.

Michael F. Wells
Joseph Allen.
Robert Bunten
Thomas Gaffield

Ward 9.

William Carpenter
Jonas Fitch.
John C. Haynes.
Gilbert C. Brown.

Ward 2.

Charles R. McLean.
Augustus Reed.
William W. Elliott.
Nathaniel M. Kay.

Ward 6.

David H. Coolidge.
William E. Bicknell.
Charles Woodbury.
Patrick J. Jackson.

Ward 10.

Joshua P. Preston.
Leadis B. Boyce.
Solomon B. Stebbins.
George P. Darrow.

Ward 3.

John Glancy.
Edwin M. Putnam.
Lewis Rice.
P. H. Farren.

Ward 7.

Charles J. McCarthy.
Daniel J. Greeney.
John P. Ordway.
William Mooney.

Ward 11.

William Cumston.
Nathaniel Adams.
Moses W. Richardson.
Charles W. Livermore.

Ward 4.

Alexander Wadsworth.
John M. Fiske.
William W. Warren.
Granville Mears.

Ward 8.

George I. Hale.
J. Tisdale Bradley.
S. H. Loring.
Thomas F. Richardson.

Ward 12.

William Gallagher.
Thomas Gogin.
Horace Smith.
Moses Colman.

Address.

His Honor then addressed both
branches of the City Council.

Aldermen
Chairman

Upon the return of the Board
of Aldermen to their room the Board proceeded to ballot for a
Chairman in accordance with the provisions of the City Char-
ter and the ballots having been taken and counted it ap-
peared that the whole number was 12. Necessary for a choice
7. Otis Norcross had 7. George W. Messinger 3. R. A. Stevens 1.

and J. A. Denio 1. and Mr. Norcross was accordingly chosen.

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On motion of Alderman Stevens a message was sent to the Common Council to inform that branch that Otis Norcross had been chosen Chairman of the Board.

Mr. Ordway of Ward 7, came up with a message informing this Branch that the Common Council was duly organized by the choice of George I. Hale as President and Washington P. Hegg as Clerk.

On motion of Alderman Messinger a message was sent to the Common Council proposing a convention of both branches of the City Council forthwith for the purpose of choosing a City Clerk for the present Municipal Year.

Notice having been received of the concurrence of the Common Council in the foregoing proposition the two branches assembled.

In Convention.

The Chair appointed Alderman Messinger and Messrs Fiske and Glancy a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for a City Clerk and they having attended to that duty reported that the whole number of ballots was 58. Necessary for choice 30. Samuel F. McLeary had 58 and he was duly chosen. The oaths of office having been administered to him by the Mayor, and the business of the Convention having been accomplished the two branches separated.

City Clerk
chosen.

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Aldermen

Rules

Committee.

Ordered: That the rules & orders of the Board of Aldermen for 1863, be and the same are hereby adopted as the rules and orders of this Board until otherwise ordered and that Aldermen Klapp and Stevens be a committee to examine and report if any alterations are required therein.

Joint

Rules

Ordered: That the joint Rules and Orders of the last City Council be adopted until otherwise ordered. Passed in Common Council came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 4, 1864.

Joint Rules

Committee

Ordered: That Messrs Haynes, Keany and Stebbins with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a committee to prepare joint Rules and Orders for the government of the City Council during the present Municipal Year. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Norcross and Messinger were joined. Approved by the Mayor January 4, 1864.

Com: Council

member

qualified

John Turner, member of the Common Council elect from Ward 1, came up accompanied by his colleague Mr. Keany of said Ward and he was duly qualified by the Mayor who administered to him the oaths of office.

Mayor's

Address

Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor be requested to furnish a copy of his address that the same may be printed. Passed in Common Council. Came up

for concurrence. Read and concurred.

5.

Ordered: That the Alder- January 4. 1864

men and two members of the Common Council from each Ward be a Committee to determine and pay the allowances of State Aid to the families of Volunteers under Chapters 66 and 116 of the Acts of 1862 and any other acts in relation thereto which may be passed. And done for concurrence. A motion was made and seconded and Messrs Keany and Hewes of Ward 1. Reed & McLean of Ward 2. Rice and Putnam of Ward 3. Warren and Pike of Ward 4. Allen and Garrison of Ward 5. Dickman and Coolidge of Ward 6. Ordway and Sweeney of Ward 7. Loring and Richardson of Ward 8. Carpenter and Bacon of Ward 9. Foster and Stettin of Ward 10. Sumner and Adams of Ward 11. and Gallagher and Colman of Ward 12 were joined. Approved by the Mayor January 9. 1864.

State Aid

Ordered: That the papers in

Back Bay

relation to the sewerage and grades of streets upon the Back Bay Lands be taken from the files of the last year and be referred to a joint Special Committee to consider and report thereon. Passed in Common Council and Messrs Carpenter, Woodbury, Meers, Adams and Jackson were appointed on said Committee. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Standish, Marsh and Blapp were joined. Approved by the Mayor January 4. 1864.

Ordered: That Mondays at

four o'clock be assigned as the day and hour for holding the regular meetings of this Board until otherwise ordered.

Meetings
time of

On motion of Alderman Stevens

Committees

6. it was Voted that the Mayor be requested to preside over the deliberations of this Board as a ~~resident~~ and that he appoint the Standing Committee of the Board.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on Wednesday the sixth day of January, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Marsh, Nash, Spague and Stevens.

Jurors

Three Grand Jurors were drawn for the Superior Court, Criminal Session - and seven traverse jurors were drawn for the first (civil) Session of said Court, and ten traverse jurors for the second Session of said Court.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on Monday the seventh day of January, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Jurors

Six traverse jurors were drawn for the second Session of the Superior Court.

The Committee appointed 7.

to prepare Rules and Orders for the Board of Aldermen, have January 11. 1864
attended to that duty and respectfully recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, William H. Clapp, Jr. Chairman. Order
Ordered: That the Rules and Orders of the
Board of Aldermen of 1856 and the same are hereby adopted
for the government of the Board of Aldermen of 1864, with the
following amendment: in Section 2, after the word 'Military
Affairs,' insert 'Assessors' Department. Read, accepted and the
order passed.

In accordance with the foregoing Rule the Mayor nominated the following Standing
Committees
Finance and Military Affairs
Aldermen Clapp, Dana and Warren. Assessors' Department
Aldermen Stevens, Warren and Nash. Bridges Aldermen Spague,
Nash and Stevens. County Account Aldermen Stevens, Warren
and Dana. Cemeteries Aldermen Stevens, Standish and Denio.
Common and Public Squares Aldermen Clapp, Norcross & Warren.
Juncoil Hall Aldermen Davies, Standish and Spague. Fire
Department Aldermen Denio, Spague, and Messinger. External
Health Aldermen Nash, Messinger and Clapp. Internal Health
Aldermen Messinger, Denio and Marsh. Jail Aldermen Spague,
Warren and Davies. Lamps, Bells and Clocks Aldermen Denio,
Spague and Marsh. Prisons Aldermen Clapp, Dana & Messinger.
Market Aldermen Marsh, Stevens and Norcross. Paving &c.
Aldermen Standish, Nash and Marsh. Police Aldermen Nor-
cross, Clapp and Dana. Tewers Aldermen Marsh, Warren &
Davies. Steam Engines Aldermen Spague, Denio and Marsh.
Streets Aldermen Norcross, Messinger and Nash.

The Committee appointed to pre-

pare joint rules and orders for the government of the City Council, have attended to that duty, and respectfully recom-
 mend the adoption of the Rules of the City Council of 1863 with certain amendments indicated in the accompanying table to the Committee Order of Chairman. Ordered, That the Joint Rules and Orders of the City Council of 1863 be and the same are hereby adopted for the government of the City Council of 1864, with the following amendments: In Section 1, read, "A Committee on the City Hospital, to consist of the Chairman and three members of the Common Council." In the same section strike out the paragraph relating to a Committee on the Assessors Department. ^A In Section 7, line 20, strike out "three" and in-
 sert "two." To Section 12 add the following: "nor shall he approve for payment any bill or account except by vote of the Committee." Amend Section 13 to read as follows: ^C "No bills shall be approved by the Committee on Accounts for refreshments or carriage hire furnished to any member of the City Government, unless said bills are approved by the Chairman of a Standing or Special Committee of the City Council, or of either branch thereof duly au-
 thorized by vote of such Committee; in which cases said bills shall be paid from the appropriation to which they are inci-
 dent; and the Committee on Accounts shall not pass any bill unless it is approved, as provided in this and the preced-
 ing section." Add a new section as follows: ^D "Section 14. All bills for refreshments or carriage-hire incurred more than three months previous to the date of their presentation shall go before the City Council for approval." Amend with these amendments. At A insert "A Committee on the City Engineers."

Department to consist of two Aldermen and three members of
the Common Council. It is ordered that no bill for appointment
or carriage hire shall be introduced against the City by any mem-
ber of the Board of Aldermen or Common Council without a
special vote of some Committee of which he is a member. At C.
ouncil 11. At D. Council 15 to 17. Came up for concurrence. Read
and the Board concurred therein. Reported to the Mayor Janu-
ary 13, 1864.

In accordance with the foregoing
Rules the following orders were adopted.

Ordered: That Aldermen Stand-
ish and Norcross with such as the Common Council may join
constitute the joint Standing Committee on the City Engineer's
Department. Sent down for concurrence January 14. Came up concurred
and Messrs Wadsworth, Woodbury and McKay were joined.

Ordered: That Aldermen Nor-
cross, Davis and Dana with such as the Common Council may
join constitute the joint Standing Committee on Claims. Sent down
for concurrence. January 14. Came up concurred and Messrs Fitch,
Cumston, Wadsworth, Coolidge and Preston were joined.

Ordered: That Aldermen War-
ren and Denio with such as the Common Council may join
constitute the joint Standing Committee on Fuel. Sent down for
concurrence. January 14. Came up concurred and Messrs McLean,
Guinn and Rice were joined.

January 11th. Ordered: That Aldermen Den
 and North with such as the Common Council may join con-
 stitute the joint Standing Committee on Fire Alarms. Sent down
 for concurrence, January 14. Came up concurred and Messrs Peston,
 Going and Gogin were joined.

Order

Ordered: That Aldermen Stern
 and Norcross with such as the Common Council may join con-
 stitute the joint Standing Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for
 concurrence, January 14. Came up concurred and Messrs Warren,
 Wells and Jackson were joined.

City
 Hospital

Ordered: That Aldermen Warren
 and Nash with such as the Common Council may join consti-
 tute the joint Standing Committee on the City Hospital. Sent down
 for concurrence, January 14. Came up concurred and Messrs Cam-
 den, Ordway and Madlee were joined.

Institutions

Ordered: That Aldermen
 Messinger, Norcross and Clapp with such as the Common Council
 may join constitute the joint Standing Committee on Institutions
 at South Boston and Deer Island. Sent down for concurrence, Jan-
 uary 14. Came up concurred and Messrs Adams, Nichols, Young,
 Allen and Pratt were joined.

Ordinances

Ordered: That Aldermen Lana,
 Marsh and Stevens with such as the Common Council may
 join constitute the joint Standing Committee on Ordinances. Sent
 down for concurrence, January 14. Came up concurred and Messrs
 Fiske, Rice, Stebbins, Richardson of Ward 8 and Elliott were joined.

Com
 of Port

Ordered: That Aldermen Norcross
 and Lana with such as the Common Council may join consti-

into the Joint Standing Committee on Council of the City and
the other House. Sent down for concurrence. January 14. Came up
concurred and Messrs Coolidge, Bradley and Gaffield were
joined.

Ordered: That Aldermen Dana, Warren and Standish with such as the Common Council may join
constitute the Joint Standing Committee on Public Instruction.
Sent down for concurrence. January 14. Came up concurred &
the President of the Common Council, ex officio, and Messrs May,
Fiske, Haynes and Jackson were joined.

Ordered: That Aldermen Winger, Davis and Burden with such as the Common Council may join
constitute the Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands.
Sent down for concurrence. January 14. Came up concurred and
Messrs Wadsworth, Woodbury, Smith, Richardson of Ward 11, & Dunton
were joined.

Ordered: That Alderman Clapp with such as the Common Council may join
constitute the Joint Standing Committee on Printing. Sent down for concurrence.
January 14. Came up concurred and Messrs Haynes and
Jackson were joined.

Ordered: That Aldermen Warren, Dana and Clapp with such as the Common Council may
join constitute the Joint Standing Committee on the Public Library.
Sent down for concurrence. January 14. Came up concurred and
Messrs Jackson, Reed, Gaffield, Preston and Smith were joined.

Ordered: That Aldermen Smith, Messinger and
and Messinger with such as the Common Council may join
constitute the Joint Standing Committee on the
Department.

12. constitute the joint Standing Committee on the Treasury Department. Sent down for concurrence, January 14. Came up concurred and Messrs Haynes, Putnam and Elliott were joined.
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Water

Ordered: That Aldermen Standish, Marsh and Denio with such as the Common Council may join constitute the joint Standing Committee on Water. Sent down for concurrence, January 14. Came up concurred and Messrs Fitch, Hancy, Wadsworth, Butler and Livermore were joined.

Public

Ordered: That Aldermen Davis, Standen and Bouque with such as the Common Council may join constitute the joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence, January 14. Came up concurred and Messrs Adams, Warren, Carpenter, McLean and Wells were joined.

Finance

A notice was received from the Common Council that Messrs Cumston, Coolidge, Mear, Dudley Jackson, Guffield, and Fitch had been chosen by that branch a Committee on Finance. Read and placed on file, the Mayor and the Chairman of this Board being joined on said Committee ex officio.

Account

Committee

The Common Council having elected Messrs Carpenter, Fitch, Warren, Adams and Rice a Committee on Accounts on the part of that Branch said subject came up for joint action and the ballots having been taken and counted for three members of this Board to join to said Committee it appeared that Aldermen Stevens, Nash and Glapp were chosen.

Petition of the Third Com- 13.

pany of the State Guard for approval of their service at Lyce January 11, 1864.
 Read to the Committee on Finance. *State Guard*

Petition of the Insulated Air *Insulated*
 Line Telegraph Company for leave to place telegraph posts in cer- *Air Line*
 tain streets of this city. Referred to the Committee on Sewing. *Telegraph*

Petition of Mark Sulom for *Sulom*
 appointment as an Auctioneer at 333 Washington Street. Refer-
 red to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of John Purson and *Purson*
 others that the stove recently removed from the second section
 of Faneuil Hall Market may be replaced. Referred to the Commit-
 tee on the Market.

Ordered: That such ordinance *Municipal*
 as, by-laws and special orders of the City Council, with a list of *Register*
 the City Officers in the various departments of the City Government,
 and such other matter as may be deemed advisable, be forthwith
 printed under the direction of the Joint Committee on Rules and
 Orders who may employ such assistance as may be deemed advis-
 able. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read
 and concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 13, 1864.

Communication was received from *Institutions*
 Jonas Fitch resigning his office as a member at large of the *Director resigns*
 Board of Directors for Public Institutions. In Common Council.
 Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and con-
 curred.

Common Council
 Mayor's
 Poor.

Mayor's
 Board

Ordered: That so much of the

Mayor's Address of this year as pertains to the subject of the Overseers of the Poor be referred to five members with the President of the Common Council with such as the Board of Aldermen may join, with instructions to report at an early day what action if any they would recommend to effect a change in the City Charter in relation to the choice of the Overseers of the Poor.

Also to report what means if any the City Council should adopt to afford temporary relief legally to some of the most needy and distressed poor of this City, now debarred assistance by statute.

Passed in Common Council, and Messrs Warren, Coolidge, Carpenter, Bradley and Gayfield were appointed on said Committee.

Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred with this amendment, strike out all between A. and B. and insert as follows—

That Aldermen Stevens and Warren with such as the Common Council may join be a committee to examine and report what disposition shall be made of the several topics embraced in the Mayor's Address. Sent down for concurrence. In May 14 came up concurred and Messrs Warren, Cumston and Picknell were joined. Approved by the Mayor Jan^y 16. 1864.

Reformation
 House of
 Correction

Ordered: That the report of the

Committee on Institutions of last year to whom was referred so much of the report of the Hospital of the President as relates to the condition of the House of Reformation be taken from the files and referred to Messrs Bradley, Adams and Wadsworth with such as the Board of Aldermen may join. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Messinger and Clapp were joined. Approved by the Mayor January 13. 1864.

Ordered: That the report of the 15

Inspectors of Prisons for July 1863, (being City Document 98) be taken from the files of the last year and referred to the joint Special Committee appointed to investigate the alleged abuses at the House of Reformation contained in the previous report of said Inspectors. Sent down for concurrence January 14. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 16. 1864.

January 11. 1864.
Inspector
of Prisons

Ordered: That the Cochituate

Water Board have leave to report in print. Sent down for concurrence. January 14. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 16. 1864.

Water
Board

Ordered: That Aldermen

Blapp, Dana and Warren with such as the Common Council may join be a Committee under the sanction of His Honor the Mayor to tender to the returning Companies or Regiments of New England Volunteers, which arrive in Boston such hospitalities as they may deem expedient and necessary. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence, January 14. Came up concurred and Messrs Mead, Bradley, Ordway, Jackson and Rice were joined. Approved by the Mayor, January 16. 1864.

Volunteers
Com^d on.

Ordered: That Aldermen

Stevens, Denio and Standish with such as the Common Council may join be a Committee to present to the Legislature the claim of the City of Boston for reimbursement of expense paid for re-interment of Massachusetts soldiers at Gettysburg. Sent down for concurrence, January 14. Came up concurred. Messrs Cumston, Bradley, Ordway, Coolidge and Mooney were joined.

Gettysburg

16. Approved by the Mayor January 16. 1864.

January 11. 1864.

Recruiting
Committee

Ordered: That the Board of Aldermen with such as the Common Council may join be a Committee upon the subject of Volunteer Enlistment into the Army with authority to take such steps under the laws of the Commonwealth and such military orders as have been or may be promulgated for raising the quota of Boston as they may deem expedient: all expenses incurred by them to be charged to the appropriation for Recruiting. Sent down for concurrence. January 14. Came up concurred and the President of the Common Council and Messrs. Hunt, Hunt, M^r Lean, Reed, Glancy, Putnam, Madsen, Warren, Wells, Furber, William Jackson, Ordway, McCallister, Prudie, Scrim Carpenter, Maynes, Abbins, Larrow, Burdett, Richardson of Ward 11, Gogin and Colman were joined. Approved by the Mayor January 16. 1864.

City
Hospital
Trust
Com^{on}.

Ordered: That Aldermen Nash and Denio with such as the Common Council may join be a Committee to nominate Trustees of the City Hospital. Sent down for concurrence. January 14. Came up concurred and Messrs Fitch, Ordway and Gaffield were joined. Approved by the Mayor January 16. 1864.

Institutions
Directors of
Com^{on}.

Ordered: That Aldermen Norcross and Stevens with such as the Common Council may join be a Committee to nominate Directors for Public Institutions. Sent down for concurrence. January 14. Came up concurred and Messrs Adams, Coolidge and Abbins were joined. Approved by the Mayor January 16. 1864.

Dr. John E. Stone, Port Physi-

cian, reported to the Board that during the last quarter he January 11, 1864.
had treated fifty cases at the Marine Station and
had paid to the City Treasurer fees amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars. Read and sent down. In Common
Council. Placed on file. Physician

Reuben Peterson, for the Soldiers

Relief Committee, reported that for the last quarter there had
been paid to the families of soldiers the sum of one thousand five hundred and thirty dollars. Read and sent
down. In Common Council. Placed on file. Soldiers

Edward Hatch, the Inspector in Ballast

Chief of Ballast reported that for the last quarter the Inspector
of Ballast he had received four hundred and two dol-
lars and eighty seven cents (less expenses, twenty five dol-
lars and ninety five cents). Read and sent down. In Com-
mon Council. Placed on file. Inspector

Jacob Norris, Superintendent of Federal Street

the Federal Street Bridge reported that during the year 1863
fifty two hundred and ninety vessels passed through the draw
of said Bridge. Read and sent down. In Common Coun-
cil. Placed on file. Bridge

George H. Davis, Superintendent

of the Mount Washington Avenue Bridge reported that during
the year 1863, eight thousand and sixty seven vessels pass-
ed through the draw of said Bridge. Read and sent
down. In Common Council. Placed on file. Mt. Washington
Bridge

Michael Scanlan, Superintendent

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 Report of the Lower Street Bridge reported that during the year 1863, fifteen hundred and forty three vessels passed through the draw of said Bridge. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file

Meridian Street
 Bridge

Abner Knight, Superintendent of

Meridian Street Bridge reported that during the year 1863, twelve hundred and ninety five vessels passed through the draw of said bridge. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Chelsea Street
 Bridge

Edward J. Powers, Superintendent

of the Chelsea Street Bridge, reported that during the year 1863, thirty four vessels passed through the draw of said Bridge. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Health.

Ezra Foristall, Superintendent of

Health reported to the Board the amount of expenses and receipts in his department for the last quarter. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Streets.

Alfred J. Turner, Superintendent

of Streets submitted to the Board his report of the expenses and receipts in his department for the quarter ending Dec. 31. 1863. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file

Special

On nomination by the Mayor, the

members of the present Common Council were appointed Special Police Officers of this City (without pay) for the present. The Municipal Court

On nomination by the 19

Mayor. David C. Gilman was appointed and confirmed as Fireman of Engine N° 2. in place of Daniel Weston resigned. Fire Dept.

John Kurty, Chief of Police Police

submitted to the Board his Annual Report for the year 1863. Laid on the table and eight hundred copies ordered to be printed.

Alfred J. Turner, Superintendent of Streets Streets

submitted to the Board his Annual Report for the year 1863. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Erza Forswall, Superintendent of Health Health

submitted to the Board his Annual Report for the year 1863. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Dr. J. L. Jones, City Physician, City

submitted to the Board his Annual Report for the year 1863. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed. Physician

Agreeably to the report of Market

the Committee on the Market-leave was granted to Benjamin B. Davis to transfer his lease of Stall N° 83 and cellar N° 15 Faneuil Hall Market to Charles P. Chapin & Co. Leases

C. J. B. Moulton, one of the Weights

Sealers of Weights and Measures, reported to the Board that Measures
he had received for the last quarter the sum of four hundred and sixty nine dollars and seventy three cents as fees which

20 had been paid to the City Treasurer. Read and placed on January 11, 1864 file.

Wright
Thurman

John L. Anderson, one of the
Sims of Wright and Thurman, related to the Board that for
the last quarter he had received the sum of four hundred &
eleven dollars and ninety four cents as fees which he had
paid to the City Treasurer. Read and placed on file

Overseers
of Poor.

The Overseers of the Poor report-
ed to the Board their Annual Account of the receipts and
expenditures in their Department for the year 1863. Read and
placed on file.

Tuant
Officers

William F. Reed, Chase Cole, Ed-
ward L. Richardson and George W. Oliver submitted to the
Board their several reports as Tuant Officers for the quarter
ending December 31, 1863. Read and placed on file.

Auctioneer

Agreeably to the report of the Com-
mittee on Licenses Peter C. Hagan was appointed an Auctioneer
at 179 Hancock Street.

Intelligence
Office

Sarah L. Pitman was licensed to
keep an Intelligence Office at N^o 15 Winter Street.

Amuse

Leave was granted to Jacob Barrow
to give Theatrical entertainments at the Tremont Theatre, Trem-
ont Street.

Indices

Ordered: That the Committee on
County Accounts^A have leave to employ some suitable person
to prepare the arranged copies of the Indexes in the Registry of

Deeds in this County for the year 1863, required by the seven-th 21
teenth Chapter of the General Statute, Section 103. ^B Read over

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the
Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics
Hall on Thursday the fourteenth day of January, Anno Domini
1864.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen
Clapp, Dana, Stevens and Sprague.

Ten traverse jurors were jurors
drawn for the Superior Court, Criminal Session.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of
Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on
Monday the eighteenth day of January, Anno Domini 1864.
Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Ald. Nash & Dana.

Petition of the Broadway Rail Broadway
Road Company for leave to erect a brick stable for two hun- Railroad
dred and fifty horses on Broadway, Second Street, Re-
ferred to the Committee on Internal Health.

January 18, 1864. Petition of Henry W. Nelson for
Nelson. the extension of Fifth Street beyond Q Street. Referred to the
Committee on Paving.

Campbell. Petition of G. R. Campbell & Co. for
Campbell. leave to transfer their lease of South Bay Bridge No. 2 to William
J. Ayer. Referred to the Board of Land Commissioners. Sent
down for concurrence. January 21. Came up concurred.

Lewis. Petition of Eleanor R. Lewis to be
Lewis. compensated for injuries sustained by insecurity of the high-
way in Southac Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims.
Sent down for concurrence. January 21. Came up concurred.

Clark. Petition of Mary Clark to be com-
Clark. pensated for damages sustained by her fall upon the icy
sidewalk in Washington Street in Dec. 1863. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. January 21. Came
up concurred.

Bridges. The Committee on Bridges respectfully
Bridges. represent that in consequence of the expense for heavy re-
pairs of iron work upon the several Bridges, unforeseen at the
commencement of the financial year, as well as the high
prices of material and labor, the appropriation is exhausted;
and they request an additional appropriation of the same
and submit to the Committee, George W. Sprague Chairman. Read
and referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for con-
currence. Jan^y 21. Came up concurred.

Sewers. The Committee on Sewers, up-
Sewers. on the representation of the Superintendent, as contained

in the within communication, respectfully asks for an additional appropriation of twenty-five hundred dollars. In January 18. 1864 the Committee, Robert. Marsh, Chairman. See City Document No. 8. Read and referred to the Committee on Finance Sent down for concurrence. January 21. Came up concurred.

Official notice was received from the Directors of Public Institutions that a vacancy exists in that Board occasioned by the resignation of Jonas Fitch. Referred to the Committee on nomination of Directors for Public Institutions. Sent down for concurrence. January 21. Came up concurred.

Ordered: That the several joint Standing Committees resume the unfinished business of the last year which is appropriate to said committees. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 19. 1864.

A communication from the Auditor of Accounts stating that additions are needed to the appropriations for Bridge, Engine House, Police, Primary Schools, City Halls, Juries and Public Lands. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Finance. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Petition of Peter Renton to be compensated for damages to his estate on Emerald Street occasioned by change of grade in Dover Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. January 21. Came up concurred.

anuary 1864. Letter for Public Institution stating that the carpenter and joiner shop of the House of Industry was burnt on the 9th instant, was referred in the Common Council to the Committee on Institutions at South Boston and Deer Island. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Library.

Communication from the Mayor.

donation to

To the Honorable the City Council Gentlemen: I have the honor to transmit the enclosed communication from the Hon. John P. Bigelow, together with a check for one hundred and sixty dollars, which, as is indicated in the note, is to be applied for the use of the Public Library. F. W. Lincoln Jr. Mayor. Boston Mass. Jan 14. 1864. Hon. Frederic W. Lincoln, Mayor rec'd. Dear Sir: From a source, which I am not permitted to indicate, I have received the sum of one hundred and sixty dollars for the "Public Library". Please receive, enclosed, my check for that amount, and for that purpose. With respect Your obedient servant, John P. Bigelow. Read and thereupon Resolved: That the donation of one hundred and sixty dollars contributed through the hands of Hon. John P. Bigelow for the maintenance of the Public Library of this City is gratefully accepted and that said amount be transmitted to the Trustees of that Institution to be expended by them in such way as they deem most expedient. Passed: Sent down for concurrence. January 21. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Jan^y 22. 1864.

Back Bay
drainage

Ordinance: That the Joint Special Com-

mittee on the Back Bay Sewerage consider the expediency of

laying the main drain through Columbus Avenue to North- 25.
ampton Street, thence through Southampton Street easterly, thence
easterly to and over the point of land between South Boston
and Furin Hill, to discharge into Dorchester Bay, instead of
laying it through Malden Street to South Bay; that the said
Committee be authorized hereby to employ the services of the
City Engineer to aid them in estimating the difference of cost
between the two routes; that said Committee also consider
the expediency of appealing to the Legislature for authority to
construct and lay a sewer as aforesaid to Dorchester Bay,
and of inviting the City of Newbury to unite with the City of
Boston in laying such sewer, in order to prevent malarious
accretions in South Bay, and to lessen to a considerable extent
the shoaling of navigable channels in Boston Harbor. Resolved
in common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and
concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 19. 1864.

The Committee appointed to
consider and report what disposition shall be made of the
several topics included in the Mayor's Address, have attended
to that duty, and respectfully recommend the passage of the
accompanying orders. For the Committee, H. A. Stevens Chairman.
Ordered: That so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to
Finance, except the last two paragraphs on that subject, be re-
ferred to the Committee on Finance; that so much as relates
to Public Buildings be referred to the Committee on Public
Buildings; that so much as relates to Public Lands be refer-
red to the Committee on Public Lands, with instructions to re-
port as soon as practicable; that so much as relates to the City

Mayor's
Address

26. Resolved: That so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to the Committee on the Fire City Corps; January 18. 1864 be referred to the Committee on Claims; that so much as relates to the Overseers of the Poor be referred to the Committee on the Overseers of the Poor; that so much as relates to the Public Schools be referred to the Committee on Public Instruction; that so much as relates to the Harbor be referred to the Committee on the Harbor; that so much as relates to the Relief of Soldiers' Families be referred to the Committee on Soldiers' Relief; that so much as relates to Volunteers be referred to the Committee on Recruiting. Passed. Sent down for concurrence. January 21. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Jan^y 22. 1864.

Buck Bay

Ordered: That so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to the Buck Bay be referred to the Joint Special Committee on Buck Bay Drainage. Passed. Sent down for concurrence. January 21. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Jan^y 22. 1864.

Institutions

Ordered: That so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to the Institutions be referred to the Joint Special Committee upon the alleged abuses at the House of Reformation. Passed. Sent down for concurrence. January 21. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, January 22. 1864.

License
Law

Ordered: That so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to a License Law be referred to a Joint Special Committee to consist of two Aldermen and three members of the Common Council. Passed and Aldermen Warren & Clapp were appointed on said Committee. Sent down for concurrence. January 21. Came up concurred and Messrs Fitch, Reed & Rice

were joined. Approved by the Mayor January 22. 1864.

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January 18. 1864.

Ordered: That so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to East Boston Ferries be referred to a joint Special Committee to consist of the Board of Aldermen and such as the Common Council may join. Passed. Sent down for concurrence. January 21. Came up concurred and all the members of the Common Council were joined. Approved by the Mayor January 22^d 1864.

Ferries.

Ordered: That so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to Streets be referred to the Committee on Streets; that so much as relates to Horse Railroads be referred to the Committee on Paving; that so much as relates to drainage be referred to the Committee on Sewers; that so much as relates to Police be referred to the Committee on Police; that the last two paragraphs under the head of Finance be referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department; that so much as relates to the Military Donations under the charge of Mr. Ellis be referred to the Committee on Armies and Military Affairs. Passed.

Mayor's Address.

The Superintendent of Sewers submitted to the Board his Annual Report on the condition and expenses in his Department for the year 1863. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Sewers.

The Superintendent of Public Buildings submitted to the Board his Annual Report on the expenses of his Department for the year 1863. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Public Buildings.

January 12, 1864

Public

Lands

The Superintendent of Public

Lands submitted to the Board his annual Report on the condition and sales of the Public Lands during the year 1863. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Indices

to Deeds

The order submitted to the Board

on the eleventh instant authorizing the Committee on County Accounts to employ a suitable person to prepare the Indices for Suffolk Deeds for the year 1863 was read a second time and was amended by striking out at A, "have leave to employ" and inserting "report to this Board" also by adding at B, "and also the terms upon which said work can be done" and as amended said order was passed.

May 21, 1864

Ordered: That the List of Jurors in

this City who are qualified to serve in the several Courts of the County of Suffolk be revised by this Board and be posted in the City Hall and Court House, and be thereafter submitted to the Common Council for revision and acceptance pursuant to law. Approved by the Mayor January 19, 1864.

Railroad
Companies.

Ordered: That the copies of the

several petitions to the Legislature for new charters for Horse Rail Roads be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on Petitions with authority to direct the City Solicitor to appear before the appropriate legislative committee in such cases, as they may deem proper and necessary.

Licenses

Agreeably to the report of the

Committee on Licenses Mark Palom was appointed an Auctioneer at corner of West and Washington Streets.

Agreeably to the report of 29.

the committee on Licenses the Fairbanks license, previously granted to William H. Coleman, No 13 Merion Square, was revoked for cause.

Ordered: That the several Unfinished

standing committees of this Board resume the unfinished business of the last year which is appropriate to said committees.

Ordered: That Centre Street, Centre

East Boston be accepted and dedicated as a public highway upon a fee of the said street being given to the City of Boston.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets, after the fee of said Centre Street has been decided to the City, be authorized to grade said Centre Street upon a relinquishment of grade damages from the abutters thereon. Provided, however, that in the settlement of the grade damages to the estate of Mrs. H. Locke, the City hereby agrees to do such work on her dwelling house as may be necessary in the premises, in consequence of any change of grade of said Centre Street. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on Monday the twenty fifth day of January, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Mayor
Trustees

Remonstrance of Trustees of the Savings Fund and other against the erection of the proposed stable by the Broadway Railroad Company on North Street. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Walker

Petition of Stuart Walker to be compensated for grade damages on Second Street. Referred to the Committee on Faring.

Pickering

Petition of Arthur Pickering & others that Henchman Street may be widened. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Homer

Petition of Charles C. Homer for a license as Pawnbrokers at 23 Howard Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Dean

Petition of Benjamin Dean, agent for an abatement of tax upon house No. 4 Queen Street. Referred to the Committee on the Police Department.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor, Christopher J. Hanley was appointed a Police Officer of this City with all the powers of a Constable except the power of serving and executing civil process.

Ladies
Industrial Aid

On petition of the Ladies' Industrial Aid Association. Ordered: That the Committee on the Relief of Sol-

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diers' Families be authorized to expend, through the Ladies Indus-
trial Aid Association, for the purpose of procuring work for the
wives and widows of volunteers, the sum of five hundred
dollars, the same to be charged to the appropriation for Sol-
diers' Relief. Read twice and passed with this amendment at
A strike out "five hundred" and insert "one thousand." Sent
down for concurrence, January 28. Came up concurred. Approved
by the Mayor, January 29, 1864.

Ordered: That Aldermen Norcross, Marsh and Davies be a Committee with full powers to take
such measures as they may deem advisable under the ad-
vice of the Mayor and City Solicitor to protect the drain and
other City property at the foot of Summer Street and to prevent
any encroachments on the same. Approved by the Mayor, Jan-
uary 26, 1864.

Ordered: That there be added
to the allowance for Clerk hire in the Auditor's Office for the pres-
ent financial year the sum of six hundred dollars, thus mak-
ing the salaries of the first and second clerks fifteen hund-
red dollars per annum instead of twelve hundred as now
provided for in the salary bill. Read twice and passed. Sent
down for concurrence.

The Committee appointed to nomi-
nate Directors for public institutions respectively recommended the
election of the following named persons: From the Board of Al-
dermen, Sylvanus A. Jenie. From the Common Council, Grenville
Mears, Jonas Fish. At large, to fill vacancy for one year, Eph
Buckley for three years, Thomas Butler, Francis C. Manning, Ed

32. Erick Nickerson. For the Committee, Otis Norcross, Chairman. Read
January 25, 1864 and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. January 25. Came up con-
curred.

Fire

Department

The Committee on the Fire De-

partment reported to the Board that the appropriation for that
purpose is exhausted (See City Doc. No. 14). Referred in Common
Council to the Committee on Finance. Came up for concurrence. Read
and concurred.

Boston

Sewing Circle

Communication from the Mayor:

Letter received 21st 1864. To the Honorable the City Council of the
City of Boston, Gentlemen: I have the honor to transmit communi-
cation from Mrs. Geo. Tickner President of the Boston Sewing Circle
for Ladies, and the Trustees of the Public Library, in regard to
the temporary use of an unoccupied room in the Public Library
Building. The action of the City Government is requested in the
matter, and claims your early attention. J. W. Lincoln, Jr. Mayor
Referred to the Committee on the Public Library, in Common
Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Lunatic

Hospital

etc.

Ordered: That the papers relating

to the erection of a site for a new Lunatic Hospital be taken
from the files and referred to the Joint Standing Committee on
Institutions at South Boston and Deer Island. Passed in Common
Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Ap-
proved by the Mayor January 26, 1864.

School

Committee

A request from the School Commit-

tee for an additional appropriation on account of a recent
increase of salaries. Referred in Common Council to the Com-

mittee on Finance. Came up for concurrence Read & concurred. 33

January 25. 1864.

A notice was received from the Common Council that Mr. McCarthy was appointed a member of the Soldiers Relief Committee in place of Mr. Lweeney, resigned Read and placed on file

Soldiers
Relief Com^{tee}

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the acceptance of Centre Street, East Boston, upon certain conditions was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor January 25. 1864.

Centre
Street

Ordered: That the Armory occupied by Company N^o 3. Mass. State Guard and situated at Lyceum Hall, South Boston, be approved by this Board, at an annual rent of three hundred dollars from the date of its organization. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor January 25th 1864.

State Guard
N^o 3

Ordered: That the Joint Committee of the Overseers of the Poor consider and report to the City Council at an early day what measures, if any, the City Council will adopt to afford temporary relief to some of the most needy and distressed poor of this City now debarred such relief by the statute. Passed in Common Council came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

Paupers
without
settlement.

On motion of Alderman Stevens the Board again adopted the vote whereby at the last meeting, an order was passed for the Committee on County Accounts to report the name of some suitable person to prepare the Indices of

Indices at
Registry of
Deeds

24 the Suffolk Seal and the question being on the passage of an
January 3 1864 order - Alderman Strent moved to substitute therefor the fol-
lowing - Ordered: That the Committee on County Accounts have
leave to employ some suitable person to prepare the arranged
copies of the index to the Registry of Deeds in this County for
the year 1863, required by the Seventeenth Chapter of the General
Statutes, Section 103, and report to this Board the name of the person
so employed and the compensation for the same. Read and
postponed to Monday next.

Jail

Health

Ordered: That so much of the
report of the City Physician as relates to the Jail be referred to the
Committee on the Jail and so much as relates to the Health of
the City be referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Coal

Highway

Agreeably to the report of the Com-
mittee on Finance James C. Martin and Joseph G. Antz were ap-
pointed Coal Highways within this City.

Second hand
articles

Leave was granted to Daniel
Murphy to deal in Second Hand Articles etc.; & that in
this City.

Appropriations
highway

The Committee on Finance hav-
ing considered the various communications of the Commit-
tee on Cemeteries of 21st December last; that of the Auditor of Ac-
counts of the 6th of January, and those of the Committee on Bridges
and on Sewers of the 18th instant - which were duly referred to
them respectfully report, in part, by recommending to the City
Council the passage of the order annexed for the Committee. J.
H. Lincoln, Jr. Chairman. Ordered: That the Auditor of Accounts
be hereby authorized to make the following transfers of appro-

pensions, viz: from the County of Suffolk to Police, twenty three 35
and dollars; from the General Fund, nine thousand dollars January 25/64
to Primary School, two thousand dollars to Bridges, and six
hundred dollars to Cemeteries, (or Burial Grounds). From Old
Claims, twenty five hundred dollars to Sewers. Read once

Ordered: That the Superin- Chestnut
tendent of Streets be authorized to grade Chestnut Street extend
at widening of Herring Street. Estimated cost four thousand
dollars. Read once

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Al-
dermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on Mon-
day the first day of February, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petition of John C. Hayden Hayden
to be compensated for damages occasioned to his estate on Second
Street by the recent change of grade in said street. Referred to
the Committee on Paving.

Petition of George Howe and Howe
others that Water Street may be re-numbered. Referred to the
Committee on Paving.

Petition of the Managers of
 the Discharged Soldiers Home that the City would appropriate
 a lot in Mount Hope Cemetery for the interment of deceased
 soldiers therein. Referred to the Committee on Cemeteries.

Ward

Petition of Richard Ward
 and others, stablemen, that the rates of Hack fare in this City may
 be increased. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Williams

Petition of Henry A. Williams
 for license as a Pawnbroker at 6 Warren Square. Referred to the
 Committee on Licenses.

Ring

Petition of John Ring for leave
 to construct steps to his house on Third Street near N. Street.
 Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Prescott

Petition of B. J. Prescott for abate-
 ment of an assessment for a Sewer in Eaton and North Rus-
 sell Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Harris

Hutchinson
Street.

Petition of Isaac Harris and others
 that Hutchinson Street may be widened. Referred to the Com-
 mittee on Streets.

Fire

Department

The Engineers of the Fire Depart-
 ment recommended to the Board the discharge of David Hur-
 us from Hose Company No. 1. and of Daniel Albury of En-
 gine No. 7. Read and referred to the Committee on the Fire
 Department.

The Mayor nominated to 37.

the Board for their confirmation the following persons as members of the Fire Department Hose No 1 George W. Hildard, No 2, Colliob Church, Hook and Ladder No 3, Levi W. Hall, Engine No 7, John Winnatt. Read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department. February 1. 1864.

On nomination by the Mayor Undertakers

the following persons were appointed and confirmed as General Undertakers: Constant A. Benson, William A. Brown, William E. Brown, William Lewis, Charles Cook, Job T. Lee, Richard Gilson, Daniel Edward Van Huren, Philip C. Reid, David Gruenheimer, Seth Hall, James Haynes, Lewis Jones, George Johnson Jr, James Lynde, Hiram Merrill, David Menden, Daniel C. Sullivan, Caleb S. Pratt, John Peak, John H. Peak, John K. Pierce, James K. Power, Franklin Smith, Benjamin F. Smith, Hiram Stearns, Jeremiah Tinkham, Levi Whitcomb, Nahum P. Whitney.

The Mayor nominated to the Fire

Board for their confirmation the following Officers in the Fire Department for Foremen of the Hose, Engine 2, Daniel A. Swift, No 3, Frederick M. Hines, No 4, John A. Lynes, No 5, George A. Tucker, No 6, Charles C. Geyer, No 7, George L. Imbert, No 8, John F. Hackett, No 9, John P. Somersby, No 10, Rufus B. Turner. Hook and Ladder No 1, Benjamin C. Thorneill, No 2, Benjamin King, No 3, A. P. Hawkins, No 5, William Lord, No 6, Joseph Barnes, No 4, Thomas C. Byrnes. Hook and Ladder No 1, for Foreman, Moses Place, for Hook and Ladder, Elijah B. Hine, Clark, Charles A. Merrill, for Foreman, Francis H. Ware, David P. Wilson, Hook and Ladder, Daniel Pickford, for Foreman, James Edwards, George Thompson, George A. Parker, William Lewis, Hook and Ladder No 2, for Foreman, Charles Simmons, for Hook and Ladder, George W. Wright, Clark, James H.

38. Heavy for firemen. David H. Jones, David P. Hume, John Elliott,
February 1, 1864. John Warner, for firemen. Richard Lee, Sylvanus R. Key,
Benjamin W. Fawcett, Benjamin A. Hinson, Hook and Ladder No. 3
for firemen, James L. Hurdon, Robert Hume, Laurin H. Clif-
ford, for firemen. Benjamin B. Wright, Matthew A. Hume, Isaac H.
Jennings, Elias Squith, firemen. George Mitchell, Levi B. Clifford,
George H. Clark, Samuel H. Squith, for fireman of Engine 2. James Cain,
for fireman of Engine 3. Geo. B. Hardy. Read and referred to
the Committee on the Fire Department.

Fire Department.

Com^{rs} on
Engineers

Ordered: That Messrs Hewes of
Ward 1, Nelson of Ward 2, Rice of Ward 3, Pike of Ward 4, Wells
of Ward 5, Hinton of Ward 6, Culway of Ward 7, Richardson of
Ward 8, Hayes of Ward 9, Larrow of Ward 10, Adams of Ward
11, Gogin of Ward 12, with such as the Board of Aldermen may
join be a Committee to nominate Chief and Assistant Engi-
neers of the Fire Department. Passed in Common Council. Came
up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Denio,
Spencer, Hastings, Warren, Dana, Davis and Nash were joined.
Approved by the Mayor Feb^y 2, 1864.

March

Petition of George Hurd for ap-
pointment as Superintendent of Public Buildings. Read and
sent down in Common Council. Placed on file.

Assessors

Ordered: That Messrs Gallagher,
Lundin and Weston with such as the Board of Aldermen may
join be a Committee to nominate Principal and Per Diem Assessors.
Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and
concurred and Aldermen Stevens and Clapp were joined. Ap-

proved by the Mayor February 2. 1864.

39.

The Committee appointed February 1. 1864. to nominate trustees of the City Hospital, respectfully recommend the election of the following named persons from the Board of the Hospital - Eld. Amos Nathaniel C. Nash. From the Common Council - David A. Coolidge, John T. Prudden, John P. Odway. At Large, William R. Lawrence. For the Committee, Nathaniel C. Nash, Chairman. In Common Council. Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the transfer of twenty thousand dollars from appropriation for County of Suffolk to Police - and nine thousand to Primary Schools, two thousand to Bridges and six hundred to Cemeteries from the Reserved Fund - also twenty five hundred dollars from Old Claims to Sewers, - was read a second time and passed. Yeas, Aldermen Clapp, Dana, Davies, Denio, Marsh, ~~Warren~~ Sprague, Standish, Stevens & Warren, 12. Nays none. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 4. Came up concurred. Yeas 45. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor February 5. 1864.

Appropriations
transfers

The Committee on the Public Library to whom was referred the application of the Boston Sewing Circle for the use of the Public Reading Room, located in the Library Building, have considered the same and Report: That the room in question is not now occupied for the purposes of the Library and will not be required for those purposes at present; and the objects of the Sewing Circle being those in which the whole community are concerned, there seems to be no impropriety in granting the request. And the Committee recommend the passage of the

Boston

Library
Hall

110 accompanying order to the Committee G. W. Thayer, Chairman.

February 1. 1864. Ordered: That the Trustees of the Public Library be and they hereby are authorized to permit the Boston Savings Circle to use the Hall in the Library building called the Ladies' Reading Room for such length of time and under such regulations as they determine and prescribe. In Common Council. Read and accepted and the order passed. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor February 2. 1864.

Appropriations

transferred

The Committee on Finance having duly considered the communications from the School Committee of the 21st instant and that of the Committee on the Fire Department of the same date respectfully recommend to the City Council the passage of the annexed order. For the Committee G. W. Lincoln Jr. Chairman. Ordered: That the Auditor of Accounts be and he is authorized to make the following transfer of appropriation, viz: from Public Books to instructors of Grammar Schools, nine thousand dollars; from Militia Prandy to engine Houses, twenty six hundred dollars. In Common Council. Read. Was up. Concurred. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yes. Aldermen Chapp, Linn, Davis, Senie, Mack, Manning, John. Scriver, Sprague, Standish, Stevens, Thayer 12. Ayes none. Approved by the Mayor February 2. 1864.

Overseers of

the

Ordered; That the Committee on as much of the Mayor's address as relates to the care of the Poor have leave to report in print. Sent down for concurrence. February 4. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor February 5. 1864.

City Clerk's
report

The City Clerk reported to the Board that for the quarter ending January 31 1864 he had received and

paid into the City Treasury the sum of three hundred and 41.
seventeen dollars and seventy cents. Read and sent down February 1/1864.
In Common Council. Placed on file.

The City Registrar reported City Registrar
to the Board that he had received and paid into the City
Treasury for the quarter ending January 31 the sum of three
hundred and eighty nine dollars and fifty cents. Read and
sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

The Hayweigher at the North Hayweigher's
Scales reported that during the last quarter he had received
the sum of eight hundred and ninety two dollars and eighty
four cents, fifty percent of which he had paid to the Society for
Adult Evening Schools per vote of the City Council. Passed 1856.
Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

The Auditor of Accounts sub- Appropriation
mitted to the Board a request for additions to the appropriations
for Debt Paid, Fuel Expenses and Recruiting Expenses. Read and
referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence
February 4. Came up concurred.

Ordered: That the papers of the Salaries
last year in relation to the increase of the salaries of the clerks
in the several Departments of the City Government be taken
from the files and referred to a Joint Special Committee. Passed in
Common Council and Messrs Woodlidge, Carpenter and Buntin
were appointed on said Committee. Came up for concurrence,
and Aldermen Nash and Standish were joined. Approved by
the Mayor February 2, 1864.

The common Council having

February 1, 1864

Auditor's

Order

referred to the preceding account the order which passed this Board on the 25th ult. to increase the number of the Auditor's Clerk said action came up for concurrence Read and this Board concurred therein.

Consulting
Physicians

Ordered: That Aldermen Messings

and Marsh with such as the Common Council may join be a Committee to nominate a Board of Consulting Physicians. Sent down for concurrence. February 4. Came up concurred and Messrs Gallagher, Reed and Weston were joined. Approved by the Mayor February 5, 1864.

License

Law.

The joint Special Committee, to whom was referred so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to a License Law, have considered the same, and respectfully recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee Lee W. Burton Chairman. Ordered: That Henceforth the Mayor and a Committee of three members of the Board of Aldermen and five members of the Common Council be appointed to petition, and appear before, the Legislature of the Commonwealth, in behalf of the City Council of Boston, for the enactment of a License Law. In Common Council. Passed and Messrs Fitch, Reed, Rice, Mears and Bradley were appointed on said Committee. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Warren, Norcross and Messinger were joined. Approved by the Mayor February 9, 1864.

Messenger

The ballots having been taken and counted for a City Messenger it appeared that Oliver H. Spur was unanimously chosen. Sent down for concurrence Feb. 4. Came up concurred.

The ballots having been 43

taken and counted, in a clerk of Committee it appeared that February 1, 1864,
Bruce S. Pickens was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. February 4, 1864,
4. Came up concurred.

Ordered: That Messrs Wads-

Water

worth, Glancy, Carpenter, Buffield and Elliott with such as the Board
of Aldermen may join to a committee to nominate candidates
for the Water Board. Passed in Common Council. Came up for
concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Standish,
Newcomb and Marsh were joined. Approved by the Mayor Feb. 2, 1864.

Board

Ordered: That the following

Bill

bills for services rendered or materials furnished to persons con-
nected, directly or indirectly, with the City Government be paid,
provided they are approved and allowed in the usual manner.
viz: Sumner Crosby, eight hundred and three dollars and eleven
cents. J. L. Sumner, two hundred and ninety dollars and thirty
cents. Buckley and Bancroft one hundred and fourteen dol-
lars and fifty cents. A. H. Hall twenty five dollars, fifty one dollars
and seven cents. G. H. Hart twenty five dollars and twenty cents.
C. L. Linton 26° thirty four dollars. J. B. & L. Loring twenty one dol-
lars and fifty four cents, four dollars and ninety nine cents.
Quincy J. Bird seventeen dollars and twelve cents. Miss Clark
six dollars and fifty four cents. Read twice and passed. Sent
down for concurrence. February 14, 1864, came up concurred. Approv-
ed by the Mayor February 5, 1864.

to pay

Agreeably to assignment the

Indexes

Board took up the subject of arranging the Index to City
Deeds for the year 1863 and the question being on the passage
of the substitute order submitted by Alderman Stevens, and

176 recorded from it it was passed by the following vote Vays Alder-
men Linn, Linn, Hestinger, Sprague, Sumner, Stevens, Warren, J.
Vays, Aldermen Clapp, Davis, Marsh, Nash, Norcross 5. Approved
by the Mayor February 9. 1864.

Chestnut

Street

The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board to the effect intended of Street to grade
Chestnut Street extended west of Messenger Street, was read a
second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 2. 1864.

Richardson

Summer Street
dock

Thomas Richardson submitted
a protest as follows: To the Honble The Mayor and the Alder-
men of the City of Boston Gentlemen: I respectfully remonstrate
against an order passed by you on the 25th January of this
year: 1st because the language of that order implies that
the City of Boston owns land at the foot of Summer Street
where the sewer of said street has been forcibly extended: 2^d
because the City does not own any land at the foot of Sum-
mer Street nor has it any record of such ownership: 3^d because
in the order you yourselves have formally acknowledged my
title to the fee of the premises designated in your order: 4th be-
cause the said City has at times voted of me part of said prem-
ises, which have been taxed to me by its assessors for many years:
5th because said premises were duly granted from the legal source
of all titles in this City to my antecessors who have conveyed
and transmitted the title to me: 6th because the said premises were
in the exclusive possession of those from whom I derive title from the
earliest settlement of Boston as a town to the time when they
sold the same to me, and put me in possession thereof, and 7th
because said premises are under an important lease to my

ment. To Richardson, City of Boston. February 1st 1864. Read and placed on file

February 1. 1864.

The East Boston Ferry Company submitted to the Board their annual statement of the condition of said ferry on the first of January 1864. Said on the table and ordered to be printed.

East Boston
Ferry Co.

The Superintendent of the Market reported that for the quarter ending January 31. 1864, he had collected as rents of Stalls and Cellars in Faneuil Hall Market the sum of sixteen thousand four hundred and twenty two dollars and fifty one cents and paid the same to the City Treasurer. Read and placed on file.

Market

Ordered: That the Hack License of Patrick H. Larkin be and the same is hereby revoked for cause.

Hack license
revoked

Ordered: That the order relative to the repairing of the Pips and Drops at the People's Ferry landing be taken from the files of last year and the consideration of the subject be especially assigned for the next regular meeting of this Board.

People's
Ferry.

Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Finance Charles C. Jones & Co. were licensed as Pawnbrokers at 23 Howard Street and Ward & Heavran at 115 Merrimac Street.

Pawnbrokers

Leave was granted to George C. Robinson to give exhibitions of Legerdemain at East Boston on the 2^d, 3^d and 4th of February instant.

Robinson

February 1, 1864

Gas

Inspection

gas and gas meters in accordance with the law of this Commonwealth passed April 10th 1861, and the report to the Mayor and Aldermen touching the gas supplied to the citizens by the Boston Gas Light Company is of legal standard - and Inspector to test and determine photometrically and chemically the quality and illuminating power of the gas supplied to consumers - and also its average quality and illuminating power as ascertained by at least twenty separate observations in each month, and whether it is sufficiently well purified from sulphuretted compounds, ammonia and carbonic acid - also determine the average consumption of gas by street burners - and the average pressure of the gas in the service pipes to be determined at four, or more points distant from the gas works - also report whether in making photometric tests the Liverpool Argand burner having fifteen holes, consuming five feet of gas per hour, is the only standard used by the State Inspector - or if others are adopted and used as tests, state what they are, and the reason why he rejects the only legal, and chemical test recognized wherever gas is used for illuminating purposes and regulated by law. Each monthly report to be published in two or more daily papers. Read once.

Conductors

Ordered: That the Committee on

Ordinances be instructed to report an ordinance requiring that conductors from buildings be so constructed as to take the water from the roofs under the sidewalks into the common sewers or drains, where such common sewers or drains exist. Read once.

On motion of Alderman 47.

Sprague's Motion not was assigned for the election of Trust City Hospital
of the City Hospital.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on Monday the eighth Day of February, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petition of Samuel A. Way Way

that East Orange Street may be repaired. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of T. C. and C. J. Newcomb Newcomb

comb and others that Kendall Street may be graded and accepted. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of M. L. Whitchee and Whitchee

others that Fifth Street between Dorchester and C. Street may be graded. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Samuel Wood to be Wood

compensated for damages sustained by the closing of the Waste Weirs on Tremont Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of the Independent
 Artillery, 1864 Boston Fusiliers for approval of their Armoys. Referred to the
 Fusiliers. Committee on Armoys.

Harris. Petition of W. G. Harris & others
 Ropes and of William Ropes and others that Hanover Street may be
 widened near Court Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Walter. Petition of Chandler Walter and
 Barrett. David P. Barrett for abatement of tax assessed upon estates N^o 2
 and 4 Creek Square. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors'
 Department.

Harvey. Petition of Peter Harvey & others
 for use of Faneuil Hall May 25. 1864 for a meeting of the Am-
 erican Tract Society. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall.

Fire On nomination by the Mayor the appoint-
 Department ments of James B. Whittier as Captain of the company N^o 4, Gilman
 Officer. Lyng as Fireman of engine company N^o 10 were confirmed by
 the Board.

Donnovan. Petition of Cornelius Donovan
 to be paid for damages sustained to his estate by Middlesex Street,
 by the change of grade of Court Street. Referred to the Committee
 on Claims. Sent down for concurrence, February 11. Came up concurred.

Todd. Petition of E. S. Todd, N. Wade, and
 Wade. Jacob Benari severally to be paid for grade damages on Em-
 erald Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for
 concurrence, February 11. Came up concurred.

Hospital has been respectfully represented that the appropriations February 8, 1862
 heretofore made for erecting the Hospital buildings are now City
 funds exhausted, and they estimate that the sum of fifty thousand Hospital
 and dollars will be required to meet expenses for completing the
 following-mentioned work, viz: the porter's lodge, horse shed, carpent-
 er, plumbing, heating and ventilating apparatus, painting, masonry,
 lining, plastering, cooking ranges, filling the grounds, and erecting
 fences. They, therefore, ask an appropriation of the amount named.
 For the Committee, George W. Warren, Chairman. In Common Coun-
 cil. Referred to the Committee on Finance. Came up for concur-
 rence. Read and concurred.

The Committee on Public Build- City
 ings respectfully represent that the appropriations heretofore made Sublet
 for the erection of City Halls, at the South End, have been exhaust-
 ed in the erection of the buildings themselves, and the following
 expenses remain to be met, viz: for gas fixtures, water pipes, gut-
 ters, fire-houses, and filling up the grounds. The Committee esti-
 mate the amount required for this purpose at twelve thousand
 dollars, and they respectfully ask the appropriation of that sum.
 For the Committee, Junius Davis, Chairman. In Common Council.
 Referred to the Committee on Finance. Came up for concurrence.
 Read and concurred.

The Common Council having Dover Street
 elected Michael Scanlon as Superintendent of the Dover Street Bridge
 Bridge, said action came up for concurrence, and the ballots
 having been taken and counted for said Superintendent, it
 appeared that Martin Russell had seven votes and Michael
 Scanlon five. It was decided that Russell was elected Superintendent of

Feb. 8, 1864
said Bridge on the part of this Board, thereby non-concurring with the common Council in the choice of Michael Sumner. Put down for concurrence.

Federal Street
Bridge

The Common Council having elected said Norris as Superintendent of the Federal Street Bridge said action came up for concurrence; and the ballots having been taken and counted for said Superintendent, it appeared that said Norris was chosen in concurrence.

Alt. Washington

St. Bridge

The Common Council having elected George A. Davis as Superintendent of the Mount Washington Avenue Bridge; said action came up for concurrence, and the ballots having been taken and counted for said Superintendent it appeared that said Davis was chosen in concurrence.

Land

Loan

The Board of Land Commissioners respectfully represent to the City Council that the appropriation for Public Lands is exhausted, and in asking for further appropriation it has been thought best to fix the sum at twelve thousand dollars, which amount the Board believe will be sufficient to meet the wants of the Department, to the close of the financial year of 1865. See a full statement showing the amount of expenditures since the last appropriation of ten thousand dollars was made, See City Document, No 12, being the Annual Report of the Superintendent of Public Lands. As no appropriation for the Public Lands have heretofore been provided for by loans, the Board would respectfully suggest the passage of the annual order authorizing a loan for the amount required. For the Board of Land Commissioners, George W. Messinger, Chairman. Ordered:

That the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to borrow, under 51
the direction of the Committee on Finance, the sum of twelve thousand
and dollars, and that the same be added to the appropriation
for Public Lands, to be expended under the direction of the Board
of Land Commissioners. Read twice and passed. Yeas, Aldermen
Chap. Linn, Linn, Linn, Linn, Linn, Linn, Linn, Linn, Linn, Linn, Linn, Linn,
Standish, Stevens, Warren, 12. Nays none. Sent down for concurrence
February 11. Came up concurred. Yeas 14. Nays none. Approved by
the Mayor February 12, 1864.

The Auditor of Accounts re- Auditor
ported that for the quarter ending January 31, 1864, he had received
and paid to the Treasurer the sum of one hundred and eighty
three dollars and thirty five cents for support of certain persons in
the City Institution. Read and sent down. In Common Council.
Placed on file

The order submitted at the last Conductors
meeting of the Board for the Committee on Ordinances to report
an Ordinance for the conveyance of water from the roofs of houses
into the Common Sewers was read a second time and passed. Sent
down for concurrence

Ordered: That the Chief Engi- Fire
ner be and he is hereby authorized to submit the annual Re- Department
port of the Fire Department for the past year in print. Sent down
for concurrence. February 11. Came up concurred. Approved by the
Mayor February 12, 1864. report

Ordered: That the Mayor be Washington's
requested to cause the bells of this City to be rung and a Fed- Birth Day.
eral Salute to be fired at morning, noon and sunset of the 22^d
of February instant in commemoration of the birthday of George

Washington the expense to be charged to the appropriation for
February 8. 1864. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence February 11. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor,
February 12. 1864.

Mount Hope
Cemetery.

Ordered: That Aldermen Stevens
and Davis with such as the Common Council may join be a
Committee to consider and report on the expediency of abolish-
ing the Board of Trustees of Mount Hope Cemetery. Sent down for con-
currence. February 11. Came up concurred, and Messrs Woodworth,
Coolidge and Quincy were joined. Approved by the Mayor February
12. 1864.

City
Hospital
Trusts

The ballots having been taken &
counted for the Aldermen, three Common Council men and one
citizen at large to be Trustees of the City Hospital as provided by
the Ordinance in relation to that subject, it appeared that the
whole number of ballots was 12. Necessary for a choice 7. George W.
Warren had 7. Otis Norcross 6. Nathaniel C. Nash 5. George W. Messin-
ger 4. George W. Sprague 1. David H. Coolidge 12. John T. Badlee 11.
John P. Ordway 6. William Cumston 6. William A. Lawrence 12. and
Messrs Warren, Coolidge, Badlee and Lawrence were chosen, leaving
one vacancy from the Board of Aldermen and one from the Com-
mon Council. The Board having proceeded to a second ballot
it appeared that the whole number of ballots was 12. Necessary
for a choice 7. Otis Norcross had 8. George W. Messinger 4. William
Cumston 8. John P. Ordway 4. So Messrs Norcross and Cumston were
chosen. Sent down for concurrence.

City
Trusts

The ballots having been taken
and counted for a City Trustee it appeared that John P. Ordway
was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. City 11. Came up concurred.

The ballots having been 53.

taken and counted for a Superintendent of Health it appeared that Alfred S. Turner was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 11. Came up concurred.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Superintendent of Health it appeared that the whole number was 9. Necessary for a choice 5. Ezra Foristall had 7. Robert Curdin 2. So said Foristall was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 11. Came up concurred.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a City Physician it appeared that the whole number of ballots was 11. Necessary for a choice 6. William Read had 10. Joseph S. Jones 1. So said Read was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. February 11. Came up concurred.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Superintendent of Surveys it appeared that William H. Bradley was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. February 11. Came up concurred.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a City Register it appeared that Nicholas Apollonio was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. February 11. Came up concurred.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Notary Public it appeared that William F. Davis was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. February 11. Came up concurred.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Port Physician it appeared that E. Stone was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. February 11. Came up concurred.

The ballots having been

January 3, 1864 taken and counted for a City Engineer it appeared that
City V. Henry Crafts was chosen. Sent down for concurrence
Engineer Feb'y 11. Came up concurred.

The ballots having been taken

Harbor and counted for a Harbor Master it appeared that John T. Gard-
Master ner was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. February 11. Came up
concurred.

Fire Alarms

The ballots having been taken

Supt.

and counted for a Superintendent of Fire Alarms it appear-
ed that Joseph B. Stearns was chosen. Sent down for concurrence
February 11. Came up concurred.

Meridian St.

The ballots having been taken

Bridge.

and counted for a Superintendent of the Meridian Street Bridge
it appeared that Abner Knight was chosen. Sent down for con-
currence. Feb'y 11. Came up concurred.

Gas

The order submitted at the

Inspection of

last meeting of the Board to the State Inspector of Gas to make
monthly returns to this Board of the quality and purity of
the Gas furnished to the citizens of Boston as ascertained by
photometric test, was read a second time and passed. Approv-
ed by the Mayor February 9, 1864.

Lease.

A lease of rooms numbered 5

and 13. in the Old State House to William W. Keith for the term
of three years from July 1st 1863. at an annual rent of six hun-
dred dollars payable quarterly was approved by the Board.

Barnes

Ordered: That there be paid

Cross Street.

to Mary B. Barnes for the estate on Cross Street, in the City of

Boston, which she conveyed to the City by deed dated the 55.
tenth day of August in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty three the sum of two hundred and twenty eight dollars sixty five cents; and that the said City oblige, and it does hereby oblige itself to pay to the executors or administrators of the said Mary B. Barnes, at her decease, the further sum of three thousand and nine hundred dollars, and in the mean time to pay to her, during her life, interest on said last mentioned sum of three thousand and nine hundred dollars, at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually: the two principal sums aforesaid with the sum of eleven hundred and seventy one dollars and thirty five cents heretofore paid by the City for the mortgage held by the Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Company on said estate, amount to five thousand and three hundred dollars, the purchase price of said estate. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. February 11. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor February 12. 1864.

Ordered: That Messrs Smith Mount Hope
Moulton and Pratt with such as the Board of Aldermen Cemetery
may join be a Committee to nominate Trustees of Mount Hope Cemetery. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence.
Read and laid on the table.

Petition of J. P. Paine & other Paine
proprietors of Mount Hope Cemetery that some one of their number Mount Hope
be made be represented upon the Board of Trustees was offered
in Common Council to the foregoing Committee of nomination. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

March 8, 1864 and other proprietors of Mount Hope Cemetery that Henry L. Allen may be re-elected a trustee of said cemetery, was read and laid on the table.

Agreeably to the reports of the Second Hand Committee on Licenses, Second Hand Articles licenses were granted to Reber Librecht at 50 Fulton Street, and to Charles K. Homer No at 23 Howard Street.

Peoples

Ferry

Agreeably to assignment the Board took up the subject of proposed repairs to the docks of the Peoples Ferry and the question being on the passage of said order as recorded December 14, 1863, it was laid upon the table.

Broadway

Railroad

Stable.

The Committee on Internal Health to whom were referred the petition of J. A. Stone, President of the Broadway Railroad Company, for leave to erect a brick stable on corner of N. Broadway and Fourth Street, for the accommodation of two hundred and fifty horses, and the remonstrances of hundreds of owners of houses and others against said stable, have fully considered the subject, and after a careful hearing, report, that the prayer of petitioner J. A. Stone, in behalf of Broadway Railroad Company be granted. For the Committee, G. W. Messinger, Chairman Internal Health Read and accepted.

Lincoln

Guard

Petition of the Lincoln Guard for leave to do escort duty for the Municipal Authorities on the fourth of July next. Read and laid on the table.

Ordered: That Messrs Coolidge, 57

Madison, H. Linn, H. Linn and others with the Board of Aldermen may join to a Committee to appear before the Legislature and urge the passage of a bill allowing cities & towns to raise money by taxation for the purpose of procuring recruits for the United States Army. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and not concurred.

Agreeably to the report of the Fire Committee on the Fire Department the discharges of members of the Fire Department from said department, which were referred to said committee on the first instant, were confirmed by the Board.

Agreeably to the report of the Fire Committee on the Fire Department the admissions of certain persons into said Department which were referred to said committee on the first instant were approved by the Board.

Agreeably to the report of the Fire Committee on the Fire Department the nominations of officers for said Department which were referred to said committee on the first instant were confirmed by the Board.

On petition of John Ring for leave to construct steps before his house on Third Street at corner of G. Street, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to Mi-

58 chael Carroll to give a Sparring Exhibition at 109 Court Street on Friday next.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on Monday the sixteenth day of February, Anno Domini, 1864.
Present!

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Whitney

Petition of Milo Whitney & others that the name of Marlboro' Street in Ward N^o 11 may be changed to some other as there is a street in Ward N^o 4 of the same designation. Referred to the Committee on Paving &c.

Lincoln
Guard

Petition of Lincoln Guard for approval of their Armory at corner of A. Street and Broadway. Referred to the Committee on Armories.

Camps
Supt.

On nomination by the Mayor William Barnicot was appointed and confirmed as Superintendent of Camps.

Faneuil Hall
Supt.

On nomination by the Mayor Henry Taylor was appointed and confirmed as Superintendent of Faneuil Hall.

On nomination by the Mayor 59.
Charles B. Rice was appointed and confirmed
as Superintendent of Faneuil Hall Market.

On nomination by the Mayor
William F. Reed, George C. C. Richardson and George
W. Oliver were appointed and confirmed as Truant Officers.

On nomination by the Mayor
John P. Burtchall was appointed a Hayweigher at the North
Scales and Maurice B. Rowe a Hayweigher at the South Scales

On nomination by the Mayor
George F. Day was appointed and confirmed as a Measurer of
Grain.

On nomination by the Mayor
Simethus Root, George Hall, Luther A. Hall, B. C. Prescott, William
Keith, Newell B. Allen, and Ignatius A. Kelly were appointed
and confirmed as Measurers of Wood and Bark.

On nomination by the Mayor
David M. Barnes, Samuel B. Livermore, Henry Emerson, Jasper
H. Eaton, George Hall, Joseph Mann, Caleb W. Hawthorn, William
L. Holmes, Seth Brock, and William C. Roman were appointed
and confirmed as Inspectors and Weighers of Bundle Hay.

On nomination by the Mayor
Henry Day was appointed and confirmed as the Inspector
of Milk for this City.

On nomination by the Mayor,

February 15. 1864. Thomas J. Bailey was appointed and confirmed as a
Marble Surveyor of Marble.

On nomination by the Mayor,

Under-taker Robert F. G. Marden was appointed and confirmed as an Un-
dertaker.

Constable

On nomination by the Mayor,

Isaac F. Nelson was appointed and confirmed as a constable of this City.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor,

John Prince and Stephen Buxton were appointed and confirmed as Police Officers of this City with all the powers of constables except the power of serving and executing civil process.

Special

On nomination by the Mayor,

Charles L. Swales was appointed and confirmed as a special Police Officer for Baldwin Place.

Russell

Petition of Hannah D. Russell

to be compensated for injuries done to her house N^o 72 Beacon Street on July 4th 1863 by the bursting of a rocket therein. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence February 18. Came up concurred.

Buckley

A communication from Joseph

Buckley, wherein he declines to be a candidate for a Director for Public Institutions, came up from the Common Council referred to the Committee on nominations. Read and this Board concurred therein.

City Hospital
Supt.

A communication from the Board

of Trustees of the City Hospital stating that they had appointed

Lucius A. Miller as Superintendent of that Institution came 61
up from the Common Council. Read and placed on file. February 15, 1864.

The Committee on Finance City
Hospital.
have considered the application of the Committee on the City
Hospital of the fourth instant, asking for an additional appro-
priation, and they respectfully recommend to the City Council to
pass the annexed vote, authorizing a loan for the amount re- Loan
quired, there being no other means of supplying the same. For
the Committee, E. W. Lincoln, Chairman. Ordered: That the
Treasurer be hereby authorized to borrow, under the direction of
the Committee on Finance, the sum of sixty thousand dollars,
and that the same be added to the appropriation for the New
City Hospital. In Common Council. Passed Yeas 43. Nays none.
Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, Yeas. Aldermen
Clapp, Dana, Davies, Denio, Harsh, Messinger, Nash, Vorecross,
Sprague, Standish, Warren H. May, Alderman Stevens. Approv-
ed by the Mayor, February 16, 1864.

The Committee on Finance Appropriations
having duly considered the communication from the Audi-
tor of Accounts of the first instant, and that of the Commit-
tee on Public Buildings of the fourth instant, voted unanimous-
ly to recommend to the City Council the passage of the order
hereto annexed. For the Committee, E. W. Lincoln, Chairman.
Ordered: That the Auditor of Accounts be hereby authorized to
make the following transfer of appropriations, viz: from the emer-
gency fund, to Police, fifty two thousand dollars: to Recruiting,
twenty five thousand dollars: to War Expenses fourteen thousand
dollars: to City Stubbs, twelve thousand dollars: to Lever Aid, seven

62 thousand dollars; and from Water Works to Police, eight thousand
February 15. 1864. and dollars. Passed in Common Council. Yeas 42. Nays none.
Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas, Aldermen
Chap. Lane, Davis, Denis, Heath, Heringer, Nash, Norcross, Sprague,
Thurston, Thorne, Warren 12 Nays none. Approved by the Mayor
February 16. 1864.

Fire

The Committee appointed to nomi-

Department

inate Chief and Assistant Engineers of the Fire Department,
respectfully recommend the election of the following named
persons: For Chief Engineer George H. Bird. For Assistant Engi-
neers, District 1 N. W. Pratt. District 2 John I. Damrell. District 3
John W. Regan. District 4 David Chamberlin. District 5 James E.
Smith. District 6 George Brown. District 7 Joseph Dunbar. At Large
William A. Green. Cyrus B. Hine. Respectfully submitted. For the
Committee, L. A. Denis, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent
down for concurrence. February 18. Came up concurred.

Fire

The ballots having been taken and

Department
Chief Engineer

counted for a Chief Engineer of the Fire Department it appear-
ed that the whole number was 12. Necessary for a choice 7.
George W. Bird had 8. David Chamberlin 3. William E. Sumner 1.
So said George W. Bird was chosen by this Board. Sent down for
concurrence. February 18. Came up concurred.

Fire Dept:

The ballots having been taken

Assistant
Engineers

and counted for nine Assistant Engineers of the Fire Depart-
ment, it appeared that the following persons were chosen. Dis-
trict N^o 1. Nathaniel W. Pratt. District N^o 2. John I. Damrell. Dis-
trict N^o 3. John W. Regan. District N^o 4. David Chamberlin. Dis-

Read N^o 5. Jones & Smith. District No. George Town. District No. 63.
Joseph Dunbar. At Large. William S. Green and Frank B. Hine. February 15. 1864.
Sent down for concurrence. February 18. Came up concurred.

Ordered: That Aldermen Dana Public Library
and Davis with such as the Common Council may join be Trustees
a committee to nominate a Board of Trustees of the Public Committee on
Library. Sent down for concurrence. February 18. Came up con-
curred and Messrs Haynes, Mears and Putnam were joined. Ap-
proved by the Mayor February 29. 1864.

Whereas the United States Harbor
Commissioners on Boston Harbor have requested the attend- Committee
ance of His Honor the Mayor at an early conference on this vest of
subject at the City of Washington, it is hereby Ordered: That leave
be granted to the first standing Committee on the Harbor to
accompany the Mayor on this occasion. the expense to be charg-
ed to the appropriation for the Harbor. Read twice and passed.
Sent down for concurrence. February 18. Came up concurred. Ap-
proved by the Mayor Feb. 29. 1864.

Ordered: That the Insulated Insulated
Air Line Telegraph company have leave to place telegraph posts Air Line
in Northampton Street from the Rebury line and running to Telegraph
the corner of Northampton Street and Hudson Avenue; Thence
along the easterly side of said Avenue to Joy Street; thence along
Joy Street to Albany Street, and along the easterly side of Albany
Street to Kneeland Street. This permission to place posts in the streets
above described is upon the following express provisions and con-
ditions that the said posts shall be of cedar forty feet long hand-
somely shaved and painted, six inches in diameter at the top

64. and at least ten inches at the bottom placed one hundred & fifty feet apart, and that the wire shall be placed upon said poles at least thirty feet from the ground. The wires to be supported by cross bars and the whole to be put up in a substantial manner in the sidewalk next to the edgestone, satisfactory to the Superintendent of Streets and to be kept in order and complete repair to his satisfaction. The said work not to commenced before April 1. 1864. Also that the City of Boston shall have the privilege of transmitting free of charge dispatches over the company's wires to and from any of the offices on their lines. ~~That said~~ ~~incorporated~~ ~~to~~ ~~the~~ ~~Telegraph~~ ~~company~~ ~~shall~~ ~~accept~~ ~~this~~ ~~order~~ ~~of~~ ~~permission~~ ~~and~~ ~~agree~~ ~~to~~ ~~comply~~ ~~with~~ ~~its~~ ~~several~~ ~~provisions~~ ~~and~~ ~~conditions~~ ~~in~~ ~~writing~~ ~~within~~ ~~twenty~~ ~~days~~ ~~of~~ ~~its~~ ~~passage~~ ~~and~~ ~~file~~ ~~said~~ ~~acceptance~~ ~~with~~ ~~the~~ ~~City~~ ~~Clerk~~ ~~otherwise~~ ~~it~~ ~~shall~~ ~~be~~ ~~null~~ ~~and~~ ~~void~~. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Feb. 17. 1864.

Subject
armory.

Ordered: That the Armory of the Boston Fusiliers be approved, and the sum of three hundred dollars per annum be appropriated to the rent of the same for one year commencing January 1. 1864. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Feb. 16. 1864.

Warrant
for Ward
meeting.

A precept having been received from the House of Representatives for the election in Suffolk District N^o one of a Representative to the present General Court in place of John Dacey deceased, it was Ordered: That a Warrant be issued for a meeting of the legal voters of Ward N^o One at their Ward Room, North Bennet Street, on Tuesday the twenty third day of February instant at 12 o'clock A. then and there to give in their ballots for one Representative to the pres-

ent General Ward for the first Suffolk District in place of one 65
Lucy, deceased. The bill to be kept open until 4 o'clock P.M. February 13. 1864.

Communication from His Honor, Commonwealth
the Mayor: To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the Avenue
City of Boston. Gentlemen: An order was passed by the Board
of Aldermen Aug 4th 1862, by which Commonwealth Avenue,
between Arlington and Berkeley Streets, was accepted and
dedicated as a public highway to take effect when a deed
thereof satisfactory to the Mayor and City Solicitor should be
given to the City of Boston by the Commonwealth. Such a deed
has been given bearing date 28th of January 1864, and has
been approved by the Mayor and City Solicitor and is here-
with transmitted. W. Lincoln, Mayor. Said and the deed refer-
red to was accepted. (See deed in Auditor's Office).

The Common Council hav- City Hospital
ing concurred with this Board in the election of Trustees.
The City Hospital with the exception that Alderman Nash was
by that branch chosen in place of Alderman Warren elected
by this Board, said action came up for concurrence, and
the ballot having been taken and counted for one Alder-
man to complete the list, it appeared that the whole num-
ber of ballots was 12. Necessary for a choice 7. Nathaniel C. Nash
had 6, and George W. Hutton 6 and there was no choice. A se-
cond and a third ballot having been taken with the same re-
sult, on motion of Alderman Denio the subject was postponed
for two weeks from this day.

The Common Council having
 February 15. 1864 elected Michael Scanlan a Supt. of the Lower
 Street Bridge in place of Martin Russell who was chosen by
 this branch, said subject came up for concurrence, and let-
 ters in favor of Michael Scanlan having been read which
 were signed by Benjamin James and by Seth Whittier & Son
 and others the subject was postponed for two weeks from today.

Pawnbroker.

Henry Cook was appointed a
 Pawnbroker at 74 Friend Street.

Market-
 cases.

Agreeably to the reports of the Com-
 mittee on the Market, the transfer of cellar No. 1, New Fenwick
 Street owned by Joseph Allen to R. Mackintosh and of Shop No. 20
 and cellar No. 7 in same house by A. K. Barrows to S. J. Woodbridge
 were approved by the Board.

On motion of Alderman Stevens the Board then adjourned
 to Wednesday the twenty fourth instant at eleven o'clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Alder-
 men of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on Wednes-
 day the twenty fourth day of February, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present,

The whole Board except the Chairman and Aldermen Stevens,
 Sprague and Denio. Alderman Messinger became Chairman pro
 tem.

Metcalf

Petition of N. E. Metcalf for a Hack
 stand at corner of Tremont and Northampton Streets. Refer.

red to the Committee on Licenses.

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Petition of the Superintendent of Streets for use of a portion of the street that may belong to the City in the Living Department. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Not seen for concurrence. February 23 came up concurred.

February 24, 1864.

Charles Street
wharf

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances inquire and report whether any further legislation is necessary in order to enforce the Ordinance relating to the distance to be maintained between vehicles, including Horse Cars, passing in the same direction through the streets of the City. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor February 24, 1864.

Vehicles
distances
between

The Committee appointed to nominate Consulting Physicians, having attended to that duty, beg leave to recommend the following-named persons to form the Board for the ensuing year: John J. Davis, William Lewis, Henry G. Clark, Augustus A. Gould, Charles E. Buckingham. For the Committee, G. W. Messinger, Chairman. In Common Council. Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Consulting
Physicians

The Committee appointed to nominate Principal and Per Diem Assessors, respectfully recommend the election of the following-named persons: For Principal Assessors, George Jackson, Henry August, Edmund Robinson, William L. Bartlett. For Per Diem Assessors, Benjamin Landon, Benjamin Todd, Joseph C. Humbert, Joseph Robbins, Michael Cumiskey, Artemus P. Weston, Clement Hall, James Landon, Joseph

Assessors

68. The Sewer Report. J. H. Burdett, George F. Williams, Christopher A. Con-
 1864 ner, & John Burdett. Respectfully submitted for the Committee.
 N. A. Stevens, Chairman. In Common Council. Read and ac-
 cepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Institution
 Street

The Committee appointed to
 nominate Directors for Public Institutions, to whom was referred
 the letter of Joseph McKee, desiring to be a candidate, with
 instructions to fill the vacancy, respectfully recommend the elec-
 tion of G. Francis Shaw for the Committee. (Mr. Stevens' Chair-
 man. In Common Council. Read and accepted. Came up for
 concurrence. Read and concurred.

Marlboro'
 Street.
 Acton Street.

Ordered: That the street run-
 ning from Washington to Bradford Streets now known as Marl-
 боро' Street be hereafter known and called Acton Street. Read
 twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, February 29, 1864.

Constable's
 bond

The Bond of Isaac F. Nelson, a
 Constable, having been already approved by the City Treasurer,
 it was also approved by the Board. Approved by the Mayor
 February 29, 1864.

Market
 Deputy Supt.

Ordered: That the Superintend-
 ent of Municipal Trade Market be and he is hereby authorized
 to employ, with the approval of the Mayor, one deputy to assist
 him in the discharge of the duties of his office. Read twice and
 passed.

Overseers
 of Poor

The Committee on the Overseers
 of the Poor, to whom was referred so much of the Mayor's Ad-
 dress as relates to the Overseers of the Poor, beg leave to report

That they have carefully considered the subject, and recommend the passage of the accompanying order. (His Honor
Feb. 24. 1864
cross, G. F. Linn, G. H. Coolidge, Thomas Garfield, John T. Budge.

Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor, and the Committee on the Creation of the Pond, be appointed to petition the Legislature for the passage of a law substantially in accordance with the draft of a bill accompanying their Report and Order in Common Council. Passed with these amendments: insert twelve^A for nine and four for three in Section 2^d of the proposed bill^B came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table. (City Document 21).

Ordered: That the petition of George T. Bigelow and others that a Bridge may be constructed across the Pond in the Public Garden be taken from the files of the last year and be referred to the Committee on the Common Council with instructions to procure an estimate of its probable cost.

Public
Garden
Bridge

The Board examined the return of the vote cast yesterday in Ward 1 for a Representative from the First Suffolk District to the present General Court in place of John Dacey, deceased and it appeared that Charles H. Stearns having a plurality of votes was duly chosen and the proper certificate of election was signed and transmitted to him according to law.

Representative
chosen

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses Adolf Cohen was licensed to deal in Second Hand Articles at 89 Friend Street

Second Hand
articles

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Coalweigher. *Edridge G. Gundry was appointed a Weigher of Coal within this City.*

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Monday the twenty ninth day of February, Anno Domini 1864.
Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Stevens.

Nichols *Petition of Henry Nichols & others that the name of the "Old Road" may be changed to Emerson Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.*

Munn *Petition of Briggs Munn & others that Greenough Lane may be widened. Referred to the Committee on Streets.*

Naylor *Petition of Naylor & Co. and others that Dorchester Avenue be paved from the Railroad Bridge to Washington Village. Referred to the Committee on Paving.*

Stoddard *Petition of Albert Stoddard for the removal of the wall and fence at the end of "Concord Square," so called. Referred to the Committee on Paving.*

Petition of E. Hares for leave ⁷¹
to give an exhibition of Spinning at my Court. Ref. February 24 1864
Sent to the Committee on Licenses. *Here*

Petition of Abby Davis for
leave to keep an Intelligence Office at No. 500 Broadway. Ref. *Here*
ferred to the Committee on Licenses.

A notice of the acceptance
by the Insulated Air Line Telegraph Company, of the permis- *Insulated*
sion granted by this Board to place posts in the several streets *Air Line*
of this City, which was filed with the City Clerk February 25th *Telegraph Co*
was referred to the Committee on Paving.

On nomination by the Mayor *Special*
J. C. Newcomb was appointed a Special Police Officer at First *Police*
Baptist Mariners' Bethel and Mariners' Exchange, and David
Young was appointed a Special Police Officer on board Steam
er, Harry Harrison.

On nomination by the Mayor, *Wheeler*
E. G. Dudley was appointed and confirmed as a Wheeler *of Hay*
and Inspector of Bundle Hay.

Aldermen Norcross, Nash & *Mill Dam*
Shumlin were appointed a Committee to appear before the *rights*
Legislative Committee on Roads and Bridges on Monday to-
morrow on the subject of the City's rights in the Milldam.

Ordered: That Aldermen Spa- *Inspector*
gue, Clapp and Stevens be a Committee to nominate can- *of Lime &c*
didates for the office of Inspector of Lime - Inspectors of Hops &
Flax, and Field Drivers and Pound Keepers.

February 24. 1864
 Circulars
 of Poor.

the Board took from the table the report and order in relation to the organization of the Circulars of the Poor and the question being on the passage of the order as amended by the Common Council the Board passed the said order in concurrence with this amendment, strike out all between A. and B. as recorded page 68, and the action connected therewith thereby making the number of the proposed board nine instead of twelve. Sent down for concurrence March 3^d Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 5. 1864.

City Hospital
 Trustees

On motion of Alderman Merrin

for the election of a trustee for the City Hospital which was assigned for today, was postponed to Monday next.

Union Horse
 Freight
 Railroad Co.

Ordered: That the papers in relation to the Union Horse Freight Railroad Company be taken

from the files of the last year and be referred to a joint Special Committee to consider and report thereon. Passed and Aldermen Shindler, Lucier and Warren were appointed on said Committee. Sent down for concurrence March 3^d Came up concurred and Messrs Wadsworth, Preston, Putnam, Gaffield and Pratt were joined. Approved by the Mayor March 4 1864.

South Bay
 Wharf

The Board of Land Commis-

Campbell

sioners to whom was referred the petition of G. R. Campbell & Co for leave to transfer their lease of Wharf No 2 South Bay to William A. Regent of Boston, having duly considered the same, would recommend the passage of the accompanying order

For the Commissioners, G. W. Messinger, Chairman. Ordered: 73.

That His Honor the Mayor be, and he is hereby instructed, February 29, 1864, to transfer the land given by the city to G. R. Campbell & Co. for Wharf No. 2 South Bay to William A. Bond, provided they will obtain the signature of Edward D. Peters Esq. to a bond made satisfactory to the City Solicitor, for the faithful performance of all the conditions as expressed in said lease. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence March 3^d came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor March 4, 1864.

Petition of T. C. and C. F. Newcomb
Newcomb
that a street may be laid out in extension of Prescott Place. Referred to the Board of Land Commissioners. Sent down for concurrence. March 3^d came up concurred.

Petition of Charles A. Parker
Parker
and others in aid of the petition of the New England Female College for a grant of land. Referred to the Board of Land Commissioners. Sent down for concurrence. March 3^d came up concurred.

Ordered: That the papers of
N. E. Female
Med. College.
last year in relation to a proposed grant of land to the New England Female Medical College be taken from the file and referred to the Board of Land Commissioners. Sent down for concurrence. March 3^d came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 4, 1864.

The ballots having been
Dover Street
bridge
taken and counted for a Superintendent of Dover Street bridge it appeared that the whole number of ballots was 11. Necessary

74. Francis B. Michael Scanlan had b. Arner J. Gifford 3. Mar-
ch 24th 1864 in 1864 2. Michael Scanlan was shown in concurrence.

Back Bay
Land
drainage

Ordered: That the Committee
on drainage of the Back Bay Land have to report in
print. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor. March 2. 1864.

Auditor's
Estimate

Auditor's Office 25 February 1864.

George S. Hale Esq. President of the Common Council. Sir: In con-
formity with the requisition of the fifteenth section of the Or-
dinance on Finance, which directs me to make an esti-
mate, at this time, of the amount of money which will be re-
quired to defray the Expenditures of the City and County for
the ensuing financial year (commencing on the first day of
May next and ending with the thirtieth of April 1865) I have
now the honor of submitting the enclosed documents.

The estimated expenditures amount to \$ 4,387,550.

The estimated income to \$29,535.

Leaving the amount to be raised by taxation or otherwise \$4,358,015.

And requiring in my judgement a surplus of \$3,714.50.

I also submit herewith sundry communications which I have
received from other Departments and Committees giving in
detail the items which make up the totals of their several re-
quisitions. All of which is respectfully submitted. Elisha Cope-
land, Auditor of Accounts. In Common Council. Referred to
the Committee on Finance with such as the Board of Alder-
men may join. Came up for concurrence. Read and concur-
red, and Aldermen Hamblet, Lurie, Hering, Hunt & Lane were joined.

Ordered: That the following bills, ^{75.}

for services rendered or materials furnished by persons connected with the City Government, be paid, provided they are approved and allowed in the usual manner, viz: Sumner Crosby, six hundred and four dollars & twenty five cents; three hundred and eighty three dollars & fourteen cents. David Chamberlin twenty four dollars and forty one cent; twenty four dollars and five cents. William Gallagher \$20.00 twenty five dollars and eighty one cents; ninety two dollars and fifty cents. N. W. Pratt thirty two dollars and sixty four cents. G. Lamont two hundred and twenty three dollars and twenty seven cents. G. H. Smith, one hundred & seventy five dollars. W. W. Clapp \$50.00 fifty six dollars and seventy five cents. A. B. & J. H. Worring, two hundred and ninety two dollars and thirty two cents. William Carpenter fifty eight dollars and twenty one cents. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. March 3^d Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor March 5. 1864.

The Committee appointed to nominate candidates for the Cochituate Water Board, respectfully recommend the election of the following named persons: Alderman L. Miles Standish, Councilmen Jonas Fitch, Alexander Hudson. At Large, George Jennie Martin Primmer. For the Committee, L. Miles Standish Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. March 3^d Came up concurred.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Cochituate Water Board it appeared that L. Miles Standish, Jonas Fitch, Alexander Hudson, George Jennie

76. and Martin Primmer were chosen, the last two for two years.
February 24th Sent down for concurrence. March 3^d Came up concurred.

Consulting
Physician The ballots having been taken
and counted for Consulting Physicians it appeared that
John Elliot, Windsor Lewis, Henry G. Clark, L. Humphrey Star,
and Charles E. Buckingham were chosen. Sent down for con-
currence. March 3^d Came up concurred.

Lands
Supt of The ballots having been taken
and counted for a Superintendent of Public Lands it ap-
peared that Robert W. Hall was chosen. Sent down for concu-
rence. March 3^d Came up concurred.

Bryant Petition of David Bryant for
appointment as Superintendent of Public Buildings, was read
and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Public
Buildings The ballots having been taken
and counted for a Superintendent of Public Buildings it
appeared that the whole number was the necessary for a choice
to James C. Tucker had 6. Samuel C. Vollege had 5. So said Tuck-
er was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. March 3^d Came up
concurred.

Howe
Water Street On petition of George Howe and
others. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Public Buildings be authorized
to cause Water Street to be re-numbered. Read twice & passed.
Approved by the Mayor March 2 1864.

Public Square
Goldthwait On petition of Geo Goldthwait &
others. Ordered: That so much of Chester Park lying between

Washington Street and Shawmut Avenue, be hereafter known 77.
and called Chester Square and that the Superintendent of Streets be and hereby is directed to place signs on the corner of
Washington Street and the corner of Shawmut Avenue to con-
form to the above change, and also to cause the numbers to be
re-arranged so that number 1 shall commence at Washington
Street and conform to the numbers of the lots on the plan as
said Oct. 30. 1850 Read twice and passed. approved by the Mayor
March 3^d 1864.

Leave was granted to Peter Faneuil Hall
Harvey and others to use Faneuil Hall on May 25th next American Tract
for a meeting of the American Tract Society on the usual terms. Society.

The Assessors submitted to the Tax
Board a List of Persons, Partnerships and Corporations who book
were taxed on \$10,000 and upwards in 1863. Laid on the table
and eight hundred copies ordered to be printed.

The Assessors submitted to the Taxes
Board a list of the statements of taxes for the year 1863. Laid statements
upon the table.

Ordered: That the Superin- Napier
tendent of Streets be authorized to grade and pave Napier Street.
Street extended, in conformity with the established grade, and
remove all such projections in the line of said Street as he
shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street
not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Esti-
mated cost five hundred dollars Read once.

Napier
Street.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abutters on Napier Street to lay their sidewalks with brick, within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on Monday the seventh day of March, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Juras

Four Grand and two Petit jurors were drawn for the United States District Court.

Barnes

Petition of Mary B. Barnes for a modification of the recent order to pay her for land taken to widen Cross Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets

Brigham.

A communication was received from the Assessors stating that Peter B. Brigham by an illegal transfer of stock in the Fitchburg Rail Road Company, just previous to his first of May in each year, had escaped taxation thereon for the last six years. Read and referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department.

Petition of James C. Rogers to be 79.
reimbursed for expenses incurred in obtaining recruits for March, 1869
this City. Referred to the Committee on Military and Naval
Affairs. Rogers

Petition of Thomas Gogin and Gogin
others that Dorchester Street be widened from the Old Colony
Railroad bridge to Dorchester House. Referred to the Committee on
Streets.

Petition of Martha Parr for leave Parr
to keep a Gout at corner of Fifth Street and Gold Street. Referred
to the Committee on Internal Health.

Remonstrance of James M. Jacobs. Jacobs.
Jacobs and others against the removal of the fence at the west-
ern end of Central Square, so called. Referred to the Commit-
tee on Paving.

Remonstrance of William Minot Minot.
against the incumbrance of Beacon Street in front of the Han-
cock Hotel. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Agreeably to the recommenda- Fire Dept.
tion of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department the dis- discharge
charge of John S. Rudelt was approved by the Board.

On nomination by the Mayor Fire
the following persons were admitted members of the Fire De- Department
partment: Samuel S. Gurn, Engine No. 1. Charles A. Luhn, En- admission
gine No. 4. Phelon S. Sanders, Engine No. 7.

Whereas, in the opinion Cross
of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants that

80 require that Cross Street should be widened it is therefore hereby
March 7 1844 Ordered that public notice be given that this Board intend
to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a portion of the
city lane and laying out the same as a public street and
that Monday, the twenty first day of March instant, at four
o'clock, P.M. be assigned as the time for hearing any object-
ions which may be made thereto.

Water Board.
membership
declined

A communication was received
from Martin Bimmer, declining to accept the appointment
of a member of the Cochrilluate Water Board. Read and sent
down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

City
Hospital
Trustee.

Agreeably to assignment the
Board proceeded by ballot to the election of a member of the
Board of Trustees of the City Hospital, and the ballots having
been taken and counted for such trustee, it appeared that the
whole number was 12. Necessary for a choice of George W. Warren
had 7. Nathaniel C. Nash 5. If said Warren was chosen, the
Board thereby non-concurring with the Common Council in the
choice of Nathaniel C. Nash. Sent down for concurrence. March 10
came up concurred.

Master
Principal

The Common Council having
elected George Jackson, Henry Sargent, Edward J. Robinson and
William S. Bartlett as Principal. The said action came
up for concurrence, and the ballots having been taken & counted
for said Master it appeared that the foregoing persons were
chosen in concurrence.

Master
Per Diem.

The Common Council having
elected Benjamin Jessenden, Benjamin Todd, Joseph G. Hamlin.

Joseph Robbins, Michael Cumiskey, James C. Allen, Albert St.
Willis, John R. Meriam, Joseph L. Drew, Joseph F. Gunders, George Church, J. 1864
J. Williams, Christopher A. Connor, and Ezra Hurlow as Per Diem
Assessors, said action came up for concurrence: and the bal-
lots having been taken and counted for said Per Diem Assess-
ors it appeared that the foregoing persons were all duly chosen
in concurrence.

The Committee appointed to nomi-
nate Trustees of the Public Library respectfully recommend
the election of the following-named persons: Alderman William
Whipple Jr. Councilman Patrick T. Jackson. At Large Edward
Everett, George Tickner, John F. Bigelow, Nathaniel B. Shurtleff, Wil-
liam M. Greenough. Respectfully submitted for the Committee.
C. F. Dana, Chairman. In Common Council. Read and accepted.
Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Library
Trustees

Petition of Edgar B. Page to be
compensated for injuries sustained by a fall upon the ice in
Hanover Street. Referred in Common Council to the Commit-
tee on Claims. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Page

Petition of B. H. Flanders to be
compensated for losses sustained in the erection of out-buildings
for the City Stables. Referred in Common Council to the Com-
mittee on Claims. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Flanders

Ordered: That the Committee on
Public Buildings consider and report upon the expediency of
removing the present Swill-house of the Internal Health Depart-

Swill-house.

82. ment and of erecting a new building for that purpose near
March 7. 1864 the new City Hall. Sent down for concurrence. March 10. Came
up concurred. Approved by the Mayor March 11. 1864.

Vehicles

The Committee on Ordinances who were directed to inquire and report whether any further legislation is necessary in order to enforce the Ordinance relating to the distance to be maintained between vehicles including horse cars, passing in the same direction through the streets of the City, by leave to report: "That no Ordinance exists prescribing the distance to be maintained between vehicles of any description. There is, however, a Regulation of the Board of Aldermen, which prohibits horse cars passing in the same direction from approaching nearer one another than three hundred feet. The establishment and enforcement of rules in regard to the horse cars is a matter lying exclusively within the jurisdiction of the Board of Aldermen, and is therefore beyond the control of the City Council. In regard to other vehicles it appears to the Committee that the City Council has no power to restrain them in respect to the distances to be kept. They have obtained the City Solicitor's opinion upon the questions involved in the case which is respectfully submitted herewith. To the Committee, C. F. Dana, Chairman Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. March 10. Came up concurred.

Dragons Thanks from

Communication from the Mayor:
To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Boston. Gentlemen: I take this opportunity to transmit to the City Council certain Resolutions passed respectively by Companies, and by

of the "First Battalion of Light Infantry." The City Government, to mark in some tangible form, in addition to a formal March 7, 1864.
act of thanks, their appreciation of the past service of the Volunteer Military organizations of the City, as well as to encourage the formation of similar corps for the protection of our municipal interests, and as an aid to our police force, placed a sum of money at the disposal of the Mayor, to be used at his discretion for their benefit. The promptness with which these two companies, together with others, rallied to the support of the authorities at the time of the draft riots in July, and their influence in averting the serious dangers which threatened the peace of the City, earned both the admiration and gratitude of our people. Upon notifying the officers that the City desired to present to their corps some testimonial of its interest in their welfare, it was decided that a comfortable and serviceable overcoat would supply a want which they had often experienced, and enable the members to respond with less personal inconvenience at all seasons to any call which might be made for their services. Accordingly authorized those garments to be manufactured and presented the same to them on behalf of the City. Their acknowledgements for the gift are herewith transmitted. Other organizations have been or will be suitably remembered, and I embrace the present occasion to congratulate our citizens on the prospect of soon possessing in our City a number of new military companies which will always be at hand to render a legal assistance to the civil power in preserving the public peace. No large City should be without an organized military force of its own citizens. The very fact of its existence has no inconsiderable in-

84. fluence in checking the designs of the unruly, and in pro-
moting peace from the assaults of those turbulent spirits which
are found in the population of every municipality of magni-
tude. The disposition of our City Government to foster and en-
courage our citizen soldiers meets our hearty concurrence, and
I trust that in the appropriation from the City Treasury for the
coming year this arm of the public service will not be forget-
ten. W. Lincoln & Mayo. Boston City 16. 1864. To His Honor the Mayor
and the City Council of the City of Boston. Gentlemen: At a
meeting of the National Guard held at their armory this
evening the following Resolve was offered and passed unani-
mously. Resolved: That the thanks of the Company be tendered
to the Mayor and City Council for their generous consideration
of our efforts as a military body by presenting to the Company
some comfortable overalls, a new necessary military garment
which we have felt greatly in need of, but with the heavy expense
of sustaining a Cavalry organization we have felt unable to
procure. In accepting them we acknowledge our gratitude to the
citizens of Boston and advise them that hereafter, as we heretofore
ever have, hold ourselves in readiness at a minute's notice to
faithfully perform the duties devolving upon us as citizen sol-
diers, and in the maintaining of Law and Order in our City
and State. Voted: That the above resolve be signed by the of-
ficer of the Company and presented to the City Council. Lucius
Houle, Captain. Albert L. Eubank Lieutenant. Barney Hall, Lieu-
tenant. Boston January 16. 1864. To the Mayor and Aldermen of
the City of Boston. In accordance with the directions of the
Company, I herewith present to you a copy of resolutions passed
at the last meeting of Co. D. Light Infantry held at their armory.

minutes of Select and Sulbury Street. Adopted evening Feb. 83
March 10. 1864. Resolved: That our thanks are due to the City of Boston for their courtesy and encouragement extended to us, during the past year, exhibited as well in their munificent present of overcoats, as in many other respects, and that we duly appreciate these numerous acts of kindness, prompted as they are by that fostering care for our citizen soldiery, which has enabled our City and State to attain their high position in the military annals of our country. Resolved: That we will constantly strive to maintain the military reputation of our City, and by every means in our power to advance it to a still higher degree of excellence. Resolved: That we tender our services to the City Government to do exact duty on the 4th of July next. Charles F. Allen, Commander. A. J. Ripley, Clerk. True copy. Alast. J. J. Ripley, Clerk. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

The orders submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave the Extension of Napier Street at a cost of five hundred dollars; also, for the Chief of Police to notify the abutters on said Napier Street to lay their sidewalks with brick within twenty days, were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor March 8. 1864.

Ezra Forristall, Superintendent of Health nominated to the Board for approval Daniel B. Curtis as Assistant Superintendent of Health, and said nomination was approved by the Board.

On petition of Stewart Walker to be compensated for grade damages on Second Street, the Committee

Napier
Street

Health
Asst. Supt.

Walker

86. on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.
March 7, 1864.

Gas
Inspection
Inspector of Gas reported to the Board the result of his examination during the month of February last. Read on the table and ordered to be printed. (See City Document 29).

Insulated
Air Line
Telegraph
The Committee on Paving to whom was referred the notice of acceptance by the Insulated Air Line Telegraph of the privilege of erecting poles in streets would report that the said acceptance is not considered to be in proper form and that the City Clerk notify said Company of the fact and that a duly and legalized acceptance by the Directors of said Company should be filed with the City Clerk for the Committee. L. Miles Standish, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Juries
The List of Jurors qualified to serve in the several courts of the County of Suffolk having been revised by the Board of Aldermen and having been posted up in the Court House and City Hall for more than ten days was submitted to the Board by the City Clerk and was laid upon the table.

Prescott.
Petition of William A. Prescott for leave to build two bulkheads in the sidewalk on Commercial Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Intelligence
Office
Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Finance leave was granted to the following persons to keep Intelligence Office in the City. City Clerk W. Hancock

Street - George W. Woodward 62 Chambers Street Thomas A. Wil- 87
liams, N^o East Waltham Street.

March 7, 1864.

Leave was granted to C. Hares
to give an exhibition of Sparring at 109 Court Street. Hares

The Joint Special Committee Clerks'
who were appointed to consider the subject of raising the sa- Salaries
laries of the Clerks in the several Departments of the City Govern-
ment, have attended to that duty and beg leave to Report:
That in view of the near approach of the period at which the
salaries of all City officers are annually fixed, they have not
thought it expedient to make so full an examination of the mat-
ter as may be required to establish a just scale of salaries for
all the subordinate officers; but there appear to them to be some
of the salaries which are not commensurate with the ex-
tent and importance of the services rendered therefor; and
the Committee therefore recommend the passage of the accom-
panying order. For the Committee, Nath^l C. Nash, Chairman. Ordered:
That until otherwise ordered there be allowed and paid, to the
Mayor's Clerk, a salary of twelve hundred dollars per year; to
the City Auditor, for clerk hire, three thousand one hundred dol-
lars per year; to the City Clerk for clerk hire, three thousand dol-
lars per year; to the Clerk of Committees, a salary of seventeen
hundred dollars per year; to the Treasurer's clerk in the office of
the Water Registrar, fourteen hundred dollars per year: ^{by A} Said
salaries to begin on the first day of January 1864. Read once.

The Committee on Licenses, to Hack
whom was referred the petition of the owners of 'hacks' in Boston fure

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for an increase of fare. respectfully report that having given
the parties interested in the hearing they are of the opinion that
a change in the rate of charges is a reasonable request. The
price of labor, carriages, harnesses and horses has advanced,
and feed of all kinds and incidental expenses have materially
changed since the former tariff was established. The petitioners, it
is well known are engaged in business of great convenience
to all classes of citizens requiring a capital which is constantly
diminishing from the wear and tear of horses and vehicles. The
attention which it requires, from early morning till the late
hours of the night, renders it one of the most laborious of oc-
cupations, and it seems but equitable that permission should
be granted them, to meet their heavy expenses, and secure
a remunerative profit, by some change in their charges.
The petitioners were desirous of introducing a system of
fares, which should be applicable to certain prescribed limits
of the City, thus establishing two prices within the City prop-
er, a distinction having already been made in regard to
East and South Boston. The annoyance which such an ar-
rangement would prove to both citizens and hackmen, it is
easy to foresee, while it establishes a precedent, which would
prove as the City extends its area, a source of constant trou-
ble, as new lines would have to be formed, from time to time.
The Committee are of the opinion that the average length
of the routes, which the hackmen are called upon to perform,
is not so excessive as to initiate any new distinctions in the
charges in a City of no greater than our own. The Committee
would therefore recommend that the Rules and Regula-
tions of this Board relating to hacks be so amended that a

reasonable advance be allowed, in accordance with the 89.
annexed order. For the Committee. W. B. Bluff, Jr. Chairman March, 1887
Ordered: That the Rules and Regulations relating to hack-
nages, be and the same are hereby amended by striking
out the first two sentences of the Fifteenth Section, and inserting
instead thereof the following: The prices or rates of fare to be
taken by or paid to the owner, driver, or other person having ^E
charge of any hack or hackney carriage, except omnibuses,
shall be as follows: for carrying one or more adult passen-
gers from one place to another within the City Proper, or from
one place to another within South Boston or East Boston, fifty cents
each, except between the hours of eleven o'clock ^AP.M. and seven
o'clock A.M., when the rates of fare shall be one dollar for
each single passenger, and when more than one passenger,
fifty cents for each; and for each passenger from any part
of the city proper to South Boston or East Boston, or from South
Boston or East Boston to any part of the city proper, one dollar; ^D
for children between four and twelve years of age, when ac-
companied by an adult, one half the above sums; and for
children under four years of age when accompanied by an
adult no charge shall be made. Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid Hayden
to John C. Hayden the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars,
in full compensation for any and all claims for damages to
his three estates on Second Street caused by a change of grade
thereof, upon his proving his title to said estates to the satisfac-
tion of the City Solicitor and upon his giving to the city an ac-
quittance and discharge for all damages, cost and expenses

90 in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same
March 7, 1864 be charged to the appropriation for Paving &c. Read once

North Street
Cross Street.
land for sale

Ordered: That the Committee on
laying out and widening streets be and they hereby are
authorized to sell by public auction or otherwise, and in such
lots and upon such terms as they may deem expedient, all
the lots with the buildings and materials therein now own-
ed by the City on North and Cross Streets, which were purchased
for the purpose of effecting a widening of said streets, except
the residue of the Peabody estate at the corner of North Square;
the proceeds of such sale to be paid into the City Treasury; the
contemplated widening of said streets to be completed before
said sale. Read once.

Goodnow
estate

Ordered: That the Committee on
laying out and widening streets be and they hereby are au-
thorized to sell by public auction or otherwise, and in such lots
and upon such terms as they may deem expedient, the estate
on Cross Street devised to the City by Elisha Goodnow; the contem-
plated widening of said street to be effected before said sale;
and the proceeds of said sale to be invested in Bonds of the
City of Boston bearing six per cent interest, according to the terms
of said Goodnow's Will. Read once.

Buck Bay
Lands
Seulimund
Street

The Joint Special Committee
to whom were referred the papers of last year in relation to the
sewerage and grade of streets upon the Buck Bay Lands,
and who were directed to consider the expediency of laying
the main drain in Columbus Avenue to Northampton Street,
and thence through the latter street to Dorchester Bay, beg leave

respectfully to present their Report. The Committee are not in favor of the proposed plan to discharge the water into South Bay, by a long and costly sewer, and afford relief to the territory bordering on Columbus Avenue only; whereas, the plan proposed by the Commissioners, which contemplates the construction, if necessary, at some future day, of a large marginal sewer from some point near Fort Point Channel, following the line of South Bay, round its head, to Dorchester Bay, will intercept all the sewers now or hereafter opened into South Bay, including the one from Columbus Avenue, and afford relief to the very large section of the City now drained into South Bay. This marginal sewer is not now needed, and its course and size must depend very much upon the distribution of the population which will hereafter cover the area to be drained by it. Upon the general subject of the sewerage of the Back Bay, the Committee have arrived at the same conclusions that were submitted to the City Council by the Committee of last year, and they respectfully offer the views of that Committee as embodying their own. See Records of 1863, page 476. The Committee recommend the adoption of the accompanying orders. For the Committee, L. Miles Standish, Chairman. Ordered: That with such as the Common Council may join, be a committee, authorized, under the advice of His Honor the Mayor, and the City Solicitor, to make an agreement with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the Boston Water Power Company, by which the Indenture of December 11, 1856 between said parties and the City, may be so modified as to release said parties from the obligation to construct the great sewer contemplated in said indenture, and in lieu thereof the said parties shall be held

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to execute the following stipulations, viz: That the Commonwealth shall construct a sewer of six feet diameter from Charles River through Berkley Street to the Providence Railroad, and also a sewer of six feet in diameter, from Charles River through Dedham Street to the line of the Commonwealth's land, and a continuation of the same sewer, with a diameter of three feet, to the Providence Railroad, or as near that point as is needful for domestic purposes, and shall furnish and set for each of these sewers substantial tidal gates, the whole work to be done to the acceptance of the City of Boston; that the Boston Water Power Company shall pay to the City of Boston the sum of fifty thousand dollars; that the City of Boston shall construct a continuation of the sewer laid by the Commonwealth in Berkley Street, at a reduced diameter, under the Providence Railroad, and across the Water Power Company's land to the Worcester Railroad, and also a sewer, of three feet diameter at its commencement, increasing to six feet diameter at Tremont Street, and continuing six feet diameter to its outlet, from Camden Street through Columbus Avenue, Avenue III, and Waltham Street to the South Bay; and also a sewer of proper dimensions from the corner of Avenue III, and Waltham Street through the latter street to the Worcester Railroad. Also, that the Committee obtain from the Water Power Company and Commonwealth the agreement to insert in the deeds of any lands hereafter sold by either of them upon the Back Bay Territory, a condition that no cellar shall be dug below grade twelve, and that the City have power to enter upon and fill any cellar dug below that grade, and the expense shall be a lien upon the estate. And that said Committee be instructed to report the new agreement for approval of the City Council be-

for signature. Ordered: That the same committee be authorized, ⁹³
ed, under the advice of His Honor the Mayor, and the City Clerk, March 7, 1864,
to negotiate with Messrs. J. B. and A. McDonald and John Simmons
for the construction of Ferdinand Street, and a bridge over the
Worcester Railroad, at an expense not exceeding fifty-three thousand
and eight hundred and fifty dollars: and also for the purchase
of a grammar school house lot between Columbus Avenue and
Ferdinand Street, at such price ^A as they may deem for the inter-
est of the City. Also that said committee be instructed to report
this agreement for approval of the City Council before signature.
Read once. (See City Document No 23).

On motion of Alderman Warren Monday next was assigned for choice of Trustees of the Public Library. Library Trustees

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on Monday the twentieth day of March, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petition of Bezer Thayer for leave to construct a sewer for a passage in sidewalk of 346 Hanover Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Thayer

Petition of Monzo Flagg for leave Flagg

94. to construct a cellar bulkhead, coal vaults &c. under sidewalk
March 14, 1864 at corner of Tremont and Marion Streets. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Paving.

Mullay

Petition of John Mullay for a Lob-
ster House on the Pier of the Federal Street Bridge. Referred to
the Committee on Bridges.

Kelley,
Green.

Petitions of John Kelley & Daniel
Green severally for leave to make certain alterations of this City.
Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

East Boston
Ferry Co.

Petition of the East Boston Ferry
Company for a conference with the Board of Aldermen in re-
lation to a proposed increase of tolls. Referred to the whole
Board of Aldermen.

Special
Police

On nomination by the Mayor
Mark F. Hinckley was appointed and confirmed as a Special
Police Officer at Rowe's Wharf.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor
William F. Webb was appointed and confirmed as a Police
Officer of this City with all the powers of a Constable and the
power of serving and executing civil process.

School Com^{tee}.
East St. Prim^{ry}

Petition of School Committee that
increased accommodations may be furnished for the East
Street Primary School by purchase of adjoining land. Refer-
red to the Committee on Public Instruction. Sent down for concu-
rence. March 17. Same up concurred.

Tyler

Petition of Mary C. Tyler & others
that damages to their estate on West Castle Street occasioned by

the City's change of grade and sewerage in Dover and Chep- 95.
man Street may be adjusted. Referred to the Committee on March 18/64
Claims. Sent down for concurrence. March 17. Came up concurred.

Petition of the Metropolitan Sewerage Board
for a release of certain condition of title of land
to them by the City in connection and London Street. Referred to
the Board of Land Commissioners. Sent down for concurrence.
March 17. Came up concurred.

Petition of the Massachusetts Medical Society for use of the Common Council room on May
25th next. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent
down for concurrence. March 17. Came up concurred.

Petition of Burgess and Wingate
to be compensated for loss sustained in the erection of the two
Favilons of the City Hospital. Referred in common Council
to the Committee on Claims. Came up for concurrence. Read
and concurred.

Petition of Thomas A. Hews to be
paid for damages occasioned by his loaded wagon falling off
an embankment on Chapman Street. Referred in Common Coun-
cil to the Committee on Claims. Came up for concurrence. Read
and concurred.

Resolved: That the Committee ap- House of
pointed to investigate the alleged abuse at the House of Reformation
and Correction have leave to report in print. Sent down for con- abuse
currence. March 17. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor.
March 18. 1864.

March 14, 1884. Health submitted the following: To the Committee on Internal Health: Gentlemen: An additional appropriation of ten thousand dollars will be required by this Department in order to meet the expense for the balance of the present financial year, and for the following reasons:—Twice during the past year the wages of employes of this Department have been increased, and back pay allowed them. The advance in price of material of all kinds, more especially of hay, grain, and straw, lumber, and harness stock, for which the above amount is called for, has caused an excess of expenditure over the amount originally appropriated for these objects. The following amounts for the several branches of this Department will be required: For sweeping and cleaning the streets, the removal of snow and ice, and the removal of horse dirt, \$6,000
 For hay, grain, and straw, 1,600
 For this Inspector, including salary, not originally provided for, 1,000
 Lumber used for manufacturing, 700
 Stock used in harness shop, 700
\$10,000

Respectfully submitted, Ezra Frost, Superintendent of Health.
 Approved, C. W. Meringer, Chairman Board of Health Committee, read and referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. March 17, came up concurred.

Printing
 appropriation

The Committee on Printing respectfully represent to the City Council that the appropriation made at the commencement of the year for this expenditure, seventeen thousand dollars is exhausted and that an addition of two thousand six hundred dollars will be needed to meet the payments this financial year. No other reason can be given for

the excess of payments over the appropriation been the natural
increase of business and the rise of paper for the work, as the
contract prices have not been increased. To the Committee, W. H.
Blapp, Jr, Chairman. Read and referred to the Committee on Fi-
nance. Sent down for concurrence. March 17. Came up concurred.

The Committee on Lamps sub-
mitted the following: To the City Council: Gentlemen: The approp-
riation for the Lamp Department for the present financial year,
viz: one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, having become
nearly exhausted by the purchase of gas, kerosene, oil, and other materials
when the appropriation was made, and the increased prices
of gas, oil, and all other materials used by the Department, and
unanticipated when the appropriation was made, the Committee
on Lamps respectfully represent that an additional appropriation
of twelve thousand dollars will be required for purposes stated in
the annexed memorandum. S. A. Denio, Chairman Committee on
Lamps. Read and referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent
down for concurrence. March 17. Came up concurred. (See City Sec. 27).

The Common Council having
elected William H. Blapp, Jr, Patrick S. Jackson, Edward Everett
George Tickner, John C. Bigelow, Nathaniel D. Hurlbutt, and Wil-
liam H. Greenough as Trustees of the Public Library and action
came up for concurrence and the ballots having been taken and
counted for said Trustees it appeared that the foregoing persons
were duly elected in concurrence.

The ballots having been taken
and counted for the same purpose it appeared that Guy C. Haynes
and

Library
Trustees

Fence
Viewers

98. and. ~~Edwards~~ ~~Edwards~~ was chosen. Sent down for concurrence.

March 17, 1864. March 17. Same up concurred.

Chelsea Street
Bridge

The ballots having been taken & counted for a Superintendent of the Chelsea Street Bridge it appeared that Edward J. Towers was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. March 17. Same up concurred.

Institutions

The Board of Directors for Public Institutions submitted to this Board their seventh annual report Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Field Drivers
Found Keepers &c.

The Committee appointed to nominate candidates for the office of Inspector of Time, Culler of Hoops and Shave, and Field Drivers and Found Keepers, respectfully recommend the following named persons: for Inspector of Time Andrew. Webb. for Culler of Hoops and Shave. Fairbank. Benjamin. Webb. for Field Drivers and Found Keepers. Samuel Stinson, Gilbert Gulley, James Underhill, Maurice Brown. to the Committee, Geo. W. Spague, Chairman. Read, accepted and the foregoing persons were appointed to their several offices. Sent down for concurrence. March 17. Same up concurred.

Charles Street
Bridge

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to sell at public auction the timber and iron taken from the Charles Street Bridge and that the proceeds thereof be paid into the City Treasury. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. March 17. Same up concurred. Approved by the Mayor March 18. 1864.

Cross Street
North Street

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the sale of the City's land on Cross

that and North Street, which was purchased to effect the widening of said street, was read a second time and passed. March 15, 1864. Sent down for concurrence. March 17. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor March 18, 1864.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the sale of that portion of the Goodnow Estate on Cross Street which will not be required to widen said street, and for the investment of the proceeds in City six per cent scrip pursuant to the terms of the Goodnow devise, was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. March 24. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. March 25, 1864.

The report and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to allow the Mayor's Clerk a salary of twelve hundred dollars per annum. The City Auditor for clerk hire three thousand one hundred dollars per annum, the City Clerk three thousand dollars per annum, the Clerk of Committees seventeen hundred dollars per annum, the Treasurer's Clerk in the Water Department fourteen hundred dollars per annum to commence January 1st 1864, were read a second time and passed with this amendment, at A insert "to the City Registrar for clerk hire one thousand dollars per annum." Sent down for concurrence.

The report and orders submitted at the last meeting of the Board on the subject of the drainage of the Buck Bay Lands and providing for the appointment of a Committee to negotiate with the Commonwealth & the Water Power Company for a new arrangement of sewerage in accordance with the provisions of said report (City Doc. 23) and

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March 14 1864 also to negotiate with J. E. and N. Brown and John Simmons in reference to Ferdinand Street and a bridge over the Worcester Rail Road, and for the purchase of a school house lot, were read a second time and passed with this amendment at A insert "not exceeding one dollar per foot;" and Aldermen Handish, March and Clapp were appointed on said committee. Sent down for concurrence. March 17 came up concurrence, and Messrs Carpenter, Worthington, Mar, Adams and Jackson were joined. Approved by the Mayor, March 24. 1864.

Lincoln
Guard

Ordered: That the Armory occupied by the Lincoln Guard at the corner of Broadway and A Street, be approved as a suitable room the deposit of arms at a rent not exceeding three hundred dollars per annum, commencing January 1st 1864. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor March 15th 1864.

Huyden

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Wm. C. Huyden two hundred and fifty dollars for grade damages to his estate on Second Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor March 15. 1864.

Beacon
Street
Obstruction

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners of the buildings now being erected upon the Hancock estate, Beacon Street, and all other parties interested therein, to remove within five days of the date of this order the one story wooden building erected upon the sidewalk and part of the roadway in front of said estate. Also that they cause the gutterway to be cleared and the plank footwalk to be removed; and in default thereof said Chief of Police is further directed to cause said building to be removed.

the gutterway cleared and the plank footwalk removed at the cost of said owner Reid and on motion of Alderman Norcross recommended to the Committee on Paving.

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Whereas, by a Resolve, passed the fourteenth day of December, 1859 a certain parcel of land, therein described, was taken on Malden Street, and the same was laid out as a public street or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to John J. McNutt, the heirs of Cornelius Fowell, and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land, that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, walls and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting over the lines of said Malden Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid, on or before the first day of April, next ensuing: but in default thereof the City of Boston is hereby directed and empowered to the said owners, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, cut off, pull down, remove and carry away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening streets.

Malden

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The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to provide for an increase of truck fare within this City was read a second time and passed with these amendments, at **E** insert 'on and after April 1st 1864' at **A** strike out 'more' and insert 'two' at **B** insert 'and for three or more

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it is suggested by Commissioners will improve the Harbor 103
by giving a direction to the different currents which min- March 17, 1884
gate in the water at this locality, and secure the advant-
ages of a thorough scour for the channels, which is an import-
ant element for its preservation and safety. The exact line
of the sea wall is of vast importance, for while its structure
should not injure the Harbor, it should not be so far extend-
ed outward as to abridge the anchorage ground of that class
of small vessels which have been in the habit of availing
themselves of its advantages when they have been wind-bound
and cannot put to sea. The rights of riparian owners, the
State and the city should be carefully defined and guarded
and an amicable union of all interests involved should be
made before the work is commenced. As the resources of the
National Government will be for years demanded to pay the
unusual expenditures growing out of our present war, it is feared
that Congress will not readily grant such appropriation for
the preservation of the inner Harbor as its necessities require.
Under the circumstances it is hoped that the Commonwealth,
if by the right of property they should finally determine to
take possession of these flats will appropriate the proceeds as a
Harbor Fund, to be exclusively used for its benefit. In the event
of bankruptcy or in case of pointing out as for holding pur-
poses as the ravages of the sea or other causes may make
expedient. The Report closes with a recommendation which
is very timely and appropriate. The Commissioners propose that
there should be a Standing Commission on the Harbor who
should jealously guard all its interests, check encroachments up-
on its waters and be thoroughly posted at all times upon its chan-

104 us and condition. The Maps and Charts, and all the important
March 14, 1864 information upon the subject, should be in their possession, and
every new suggestion or project should be submitted for their care-
ful consideration and judgement. If such a Board had been in
existence in the past many of the evils which now threaten
the safety of our Harbor, one of the best in the world, would
have been averted. The other Report, the Eighth, which is sub-
mitted, is an account of the progress of the hydrographic sur-
vey of the outer Harbor during the past season. This work is
essentially completed; but some additional investigation will
be made in regard to the channels of entrance, which will
probably be furnished during the present year. In this connection
I would state that the Harbor Committee on their late visit to Wash-
ington, took occasion personally to impress upon our members of
Congress the importance of acquiring the sea walls at Goat Har-
bor and Deer Island, to which the attention of Congress had al-
ready been directed. In closing this communication I cannot
forbear to congratulate the City upon securing the services of the
eminent gentlemen who are acting as the Commissioners and who
are pursuing the examination of our Harbor. Their labors
which have been continued for a number of years, are grati-
fying, requiring much time and patient thought. May I then
the sincere Thanks of all who are interested in the commer-
cial prosperity of our metropolis. W. Green & Hayes. And
and five hundred copies of said report were ordered to be
printed.

Nuisances

The Superintendent of Health
having stated to the Board that there were certain nuisances
in the City which required the personal inspection of the Board

of Health, it was voted that the Board visit said localities on
Friday next at ten o'clock. AM

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On petition of Naylor W. and
others that Serpentine Avenue be paved from the Rail Road
Bridge to Washington Village, the Committee on Paving report-
ed that it is impracticable to pave said Avenue until a sewer
is laid therein to carry off the surface water. Read and accepted.

Naylor

Sen. in the

Avenue

On petition of B. J. Prescott for
abatement of an assessment for construction of a sewer in
Eaton and North Russell Streets, the Committee on Sewers report-
ed leave to withdraw. Read & accepted.

Prescott.

Leave was granted to Professor
Anderson to exhibit *Ligerdemain* at the Melodeon for one week
from March 9th instant.

Anderson

Ordered: That the Superintendent
of Streets be authorized to grade, pave the gutters and macadam-
ize Brookline Street between Tremont Street and Shawmut Aven-
ue, in conformity with the established grade, and remove all such
projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous;
also to close all openings into said Street not secured in accor-
dance with the Ordinances of the City, and those which are
so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and
which the owners or occupants have refused to repair after due
notice to that effect. Estimated cost fifty six hundred dollars.
Read once

Brookline
Street.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police
be directed to retain the corner and shutters on Brookline Street
between Tremont Street and Shawmut Avenue, to furnish new

Brookline
Street

March 11, 1864 edge-stones to support the sidewalk, and to lay their sidewalks with brick, within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law. Read once.

East Orange

Street

Way Street

Ordered: That the name of the street running from Harrison Avenue to High Street heretofore known as East Orange Street be hereafter known and called Way Street. Read once.

Fifth

Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutter, grade and macadamize Fifth Street between Dorchester and F. Street in conformity with the established grade, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated cost two thousand and six hundred dollars. Read once.

Fifth

Street.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abutters on said Street, to lay their sidewalks with brick, within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law. Read once.

Old Road.

Emerson

Street.

Ordered: That the name of the Old Road located, running from Third Street to Fourth Street be hereafter known and called Emerson Street. Read once.

Fifth

Street.

City Point.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade Fifth Street between the Shore and Q Street. Estimated cost eighteen hundred dollars. Read once.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave Battery March Street, between Hamilton and Milk Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street, as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street, which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owners or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost seven hundred dollars. Read once.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters on Battery March Street to furnish new edge-stones to support the sidewalk, and to lay their sidewalks with brick or flat stone within twenty days. And that, in default thereof the same will be done by the City at their expense, according to law. Read once.

Ordered: That the Committee on Lamps, Bells and Clocks be instructed to negotiate with the Boston Gas Light Company for a contract to supply the City with gas for the purposes of lighting street lamps and all public buildings and places where the gas of said Company is used by the City for illuminating purposes, at a price not exceeding six per cent above the minimum cost of the gas, when delivered from the gas-works to the street mains, the cost to be determined by the Oath of the President of the Boston Gas Light Company, and the bill to be rendered once in six months. Read once.

Ordered: That the fourth section of
~~Municipal~~ the Rules and Regulations respecting ~~Fire~~ Railroads be
 Horse and the same is hereby amended by striking out the word
 Railroads. "three" and inserting the word "one." Read once.

Water Monday next was assigned as
 Board the time for choice of a member of the Cockituate Water Board
 vice Martin Brimmer declined.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Al-
 dermen of the City of Greenfield at Mechanics Hall on Monday
 the twenty first day of March, Anno Domini, 1864

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Denio.

Clark Petition of Patrick Clark, Michael
 Grimes, and Frederick Gordon soliciting for leave to settle certain
 land of this city. Referred to the Committee on Internal Affairs.

Drake Petition of Tisdale Drake and others
 that Lehigh Street may be laid out as a public highway at
 its intersection with Federal Street. Referred to the Committee
 on Street.

Whereas, in the opinion of 109

the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Fulton Place should be widened it is therefore hereby Ordered, that public notice be given that this Board intend to widen the Place before mentioned, by taking a portion of the City's land and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the fourth day of April, at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

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Fulton

Place

Whereas B.F. Dwight has

given notice to this Board of his intention to erect a building on the corner of Washington and Water Streets, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Water Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, that due notice be given to the said B.F. Dwight and to John Fleet's heirs, that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday the twenty eighth day of March instant, at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Water Street.

Fleet's

heirs.

No person appearing to object

to the proposed widening of Water Street by laying out a part of the City's land therefore, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets.

Cross

Street

On nomination by the Mayor

the following persons were appointed and confirmed as Special

Special

Police

111. Police Officers William S. Alexander for duty on Central Wharf
March 21. 1864. Michael Scanlan for duty on Dover Street Bridge.

Burnes
supplementary
order

Ordered: That there be paid to
Mary B. Burnes, of Canton, in the County of Norfolk, Massachusetts
all the sum of one hundred dollars; said sum to be deducted
from the sum of thirty-nine hundred dollars ordered, February
12. 1864, to be paid to the executors or administrators of said Mary
B. Burnes, at her decease; and that from and after the pay-
ment of said sum of one hundred dollars, there shall be paid
to said Mary B. Burnes during her lifetime, interest on the
sum of thirty eight hundred dollars only, at the rate of five
per centum per annum. Read twice and passed. Sent down
for concurrence. March 24. Came up concurred. Approved by the
Mayor. March 25. 1864.

Salaries

Ordered: That Messrs Coolidge,
Lumston, Fitch, Glancy and Coleman with such as the Board
of Aldermen may join be a committee to consider and report
on the salary bill for the current year; and also to consider
and report on the expediency of increasing the salaries from
January, 1864. Passed in Common Council. Came up for
concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Martin,
Warren and Norcross were joined. Approved by the Mayor,
March 22^d 1864.

Gas

Ordered: That a committee of
three on the part of the Aldermen with as many as the Com-
mon Council may join be appointed to consider what altera-
tions, if any, are necessary to be made for the better protection
of the citizens of Boston than now exists under the present

State law passed April 10th 1861, for the inspection of Gas Meters, III.
the petition of the contractors and the request of the City Council March 21, 1864
Companies Read twice and passed and Aldermen Nash, Mes-
singer and Marsh were appointed on said Committee. Sent down
for concurrence. March 24. Came up concurred and Messrs Wads-
worth, Haynes, Fiske, Mc Kay and Bradley were joined. Approved
by the Mayor, March 25. 1864.

The Committee on the Fire Department find it necessary to ask for an additional ap-
propriation of ten thousand dollars to carry them through the
present fiscal year. The increase of salaries of the members
of the Department, and the increased price of gas which is re-
quired for use in the same, must be assigned as the cause for
the present necessity. For the Committee, S. A. Denio, Chairman.
Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Finance.
Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The Committee on the Harbor would respectfully represent to the City Council, that the ap-
propriation placed at their disposal at the commencement of
this financial year, being eight thousand dollars, is exhausted.
An additional appropriation of about one thousand dollars will
be needed. Cause of this excess over the estimate for the year, is
expenses on account of the Harbor Survey. For the Committee, A. A.
Stevens, Chairman. Referred in Common Council to the Committee
on Finance. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Public Funds be instructed to report to this Council at its
People's Ferry
papers.

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March 21. 1864. not meeting. it was the purpose of the Town, Light and
Fire Safety, created by the City Order vacated to the People's Fire
Fund in Common Council and referred to the Committee on
Public Buildings. Came up for concurrence. Read and con-
curred.

City
Hospital
New House

Remonstrance of the Trustees of
the City Hospital against the proposed location of a new
House near that Institution. Agreed in Common Council to
the Committee on Public Buildings. Came up for concurrence. Read
and concurred.

Clerk
Board

The Common Council having a-
mended the order in relation to the Clerk's fee in the Fiscal
Department which was passed at the last meeting of this
Board, by striking out the amendment at A in relation to the
cash fee of the City Register, said action came up for con-
currence, and the Board receded from its amendment at A
and concurred with the Common Council in the passage of
said order. Approved by the Mayor, March 22. 1864.

Water
Board

According to assignment the
Board proceeded to the choice of a member of the Architectural
Water Board for two years in place of Martin Brimmer, declined.
It appeared that the whole number of bids was 11. Necessary
for a choice to four A. Wendtlike built C. William D. Spencer. So
said Wendtlike was chosen. Came up for concurrence. March
24 came up concurred.

Old Road
Emerson
Street

The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board to change the name of the "Old Road"
to Emerson Street was read a second time and passed. . 17p.

proved by the Mayor March 22. 1864.

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The order submitted at the March 21. 1864
last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Public Works to
macadamize Brookline Street between Shawmut Avenue and
Tremont Street was read a second time and passed. Approved
by the Mayor, March 22^d 1864.

The order submitted at the Fifth Street
last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Public Works to
Fifth Street between Q. Street and the Shore was read a second
time and passed. Approved by the Mayor March 22^d 1864.

Ordered: That a Committee East Boston
of two be appointed to enquire into such matters as they may think
best to ascertain the amount of daily travel across the East
Boston Ferry for several consecutive days, and that the ex-
pense incurred thereby be charged to the appropriation for Inci-
dental Expenses. Read twice and passed and Aldermen Stevens
and Messinger were appointed on said Committee. Approved by
the Mayor, March 22. 1864.

The order submitted at the last May Street
meeting of the Board to change the name of East Orange Street
(from Harrison Avenue to Fish Street) to Fish Street was read a
second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, March 22. 1864.

The order submitted at the last Battery March
meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Public Works to
Battery March Street from Hamilton to Milk Street was read a sec-
ond time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, March 22. 1864.

March 21 1864. The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Chief of Police to notify the abuttees on said Batterymarch Street to furnish new edge-stones and to lay their sidewalks, was read a second time and passed.

Fifth
Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave the gutters and macadamize Fifth Street between Dorchester and F. Streets was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, March 22. 1864.

Boston Gas
Light Co.
Contract

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Committee on Lamps to negotiate a new contract with the Boston Gas Light Company for lighting street lamps and public buildings at a price not exceeding six per cent on the minimum cost of gas, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, March 24. 1864.

Lease

A lease to Newell A. Thompson of the room on the second floor of the Old State House for two years from April 1st 1864. at an annual rent of one thousand dollars, was approved by the Board.

Concord
Street
wall.

The Committee on Paving to whom was referred the petition of Albert Stoddard for the removal of the wall and fence at the end of Concord Square, so called, and the remonstrance of James M. Jacobs and others against the same, would respectfully report the accompanying order. For the Committee: E. H. Hurd, Chairman. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be directed to cause to be removed twenty feet of the wall and fence at the end of Concord Street (called Concord

Square, west side of Tremont Street on the military side thereof 115
and that he notify Albert Portland to keep the said opening
closed at night during the season of the erection of buildings on
the street beyond the wall. Read twice and passed. Approved by
the Mayor March 24. 1864. March 21. 1864

The Committee on Paving to whom Beacon
was recommended the remonstrance of William Minot against the
incumbrance of Beacon Street in front of the Hancock Estate
and the order in relation to the same, would respectfully report,
that an arrangement has been made with the parties interested
by which better facilities will be afforded to pedestrians, therefore
they recommend that no action is necessary at the present time.
For the Committee E. W. Fendlin, Chairman. Read and accepted.

The order submitted at the last Brookline
meeting of the Board for the Chief of Police to notify the abutters on
Brookline Street between Tremont Street and Monument Avenue to
fence their rear edges and by their attorneys was read a se-
cond time and passed.

Ordered: That the Superintendent Middle
of Streets be and he is hereby directed to notify the owners of estates
on Middle Street (in such cases as he considers dangerous) to erect
fences upon the lines of said estates adjoining the highway, in
accordance with the provisions of Sec. 9 of the Ordinances in relation
to Streets passed April 28. 1863.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police Park
be directed to notify Henry G. Clark, Levi Bartlett, Henry J. Gardner, Fred
and the Union Club to comply with North River Flaggins or Blue
Stone the driveway to their respective premises leading from Park

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March 21. 1864 Street across the sidewalk of said Street within twenty days, and in default thereof the said driveway will be raised to the City of Boston at their cost.

Third

Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to close Third Street between A. and B. Streets during the repairs on the bridge over the railroad track. Read twice and passed.

Hack fares

Ordered: That so much of the order passed by this Board March 11. 1864, relating to rates of fare to be charged for three or more adult passengers be and is hereby re-annulled. Ordered: That the proprietors of hack be authorized to charge for one or more adult passengers within the City proper, or from one place to another within the limits of South Boston or East Boston, fifty cents each. Read twice and passed.

Horse

Midland
rule

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to amend the Rules and Regulations for government of the Midland Railroad by striking out from Section 4. the word "three" and inserting the word "one" so that cars going in the same direction may approach within one hundred feet of each other was read a second time and passed.

Tucker.

The Bond of James C. Tucker, Superintendent of Public Buildings was approved by the Board.

Nichols

Midland
Railroad

In petition of William W. Nichols for the abatement of damages occasioned by the location of the Midland Railroad over Turnpike Street adjacent to his estate in South Boston as in said petition is more fully set forth, it is

Respectfully Ordered: That the said Midland Railroad Company its officers or assigns be notified to appear before this Board on Monday March 21 1864 at the eleventh day of April next at four o'clock P.M. when this Board will proceed to estimate said damages pursuant to law

Leave was granted to August Second Hand
to Levi to deal in Second Hand Articles at 42 Salem Street and
to George Brown to deal in said articles at 16 Prattle Street.

Leave was granted to Professor Mr. Allister
J. H. McAllister to give Magical entertainments at Andrews Hall.

Leave was granted to John Turner
Turner to give a Sparring Exhibition at Tammany Hall, Portland
Maine on March 24 1864

Ordered: That the Committee on Common
Lamps cause to be placed as soon as practicable four or more
lamps on the corners of the Common square on the West
Side quite to the corner entrance opposite the Hotel House on
Beacon Street, said lamps to be lighted in the same man-
ner as on other contiguous corners. Resolved in Common
Council to Messrs Carpenter, Bangs and Loring with such as
the Board of Aldermen may join come up for concurrence and
and referred to the Committee on Lamps.

On the notice of intention August
to build by H. Hageman on Suffolk Street, the Committee on
Streets reported a reference of the same to the Committee on
Paving. Read, accepted and referred accordingly

March 21. 1864.
Jury
List

On motion of Alderman Spague

the Board took from the table the Jury List, and on motion of said Alderman, the names of George W. Spague and Edmund C. Common were stricken therefrom and Paul H. Fox and Herman Davidson of Ward No 12 were added thereto. On motion of Alderman Marsh the following names were added thereto from Ward No 1, Charles Jordan, Michael Larkin, Andrew McKeen, the Hon. George Ledy, Daniel G. Murphy, David W. Hennen, Michael Carney, Hugh Smith. Said List was then accepted and sent down to the Common Council. March 24 same up concurred.

Hayes
Russell
Hugo

On the several petitions of Beza Hayes, William A. Russell, and Henry Hugo for leave to construct a side driveway or truckhead in their respective sidewalks, the Committee on paving reported, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Williams
West
Street

Ordered: That there be paid to Thomas B. Williams the sum of thirteen hundred and fifty five dollars for land taken to widen West Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening streets. Read once.

Cross
Street

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that Cross Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston bounded as follows viz

Northwardly by the proposed line of widening of said street, by
then measuring one hundred and fifty nine feet and six inches, March 21/1864
Southwardly by South Street to feet; Northwardly by
the present line of Cross Street one hundred and fifty nine
feet and $2\frac{3}{4}$; and Northwestwardly by land of Phineas A. Stone
and Ebenezer Johnson, four feet and six containing five hundred
and ten square feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has
been given of the intention of this Board to take the said par-
cel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears in the re-
turn hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel
of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and
laid out as a public street or way of the said city according
to a plan of the said widening made by S. Henry Knight City
Engineer, dated March 14th 1864 and deposited in the office of
the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge
that the expense of widening the said Cross Street, as aforesaid,
will amount to Nothing; which sum, together with the amount
of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said
street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the
sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets, with the approbation of the Committee on Finance, be authorized to contract for, advertising for proposal or otherwise, as may be deemed expedient, for such quantities of Beach Gravel as shall be needed for the paving of the streets during the year 1864; to be landed in such quantities, at such times and places, as the Superintendent of Streets shall direct; the gravel to be procured from beaches outside the

120 limits of Boston Harbor. Read once
March 28. 1864.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of
Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on
Monday the twenty eighth day of March, Anno Domini, 1864.
Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Jurors

Thirty five traverse Jurors were
drawn for the Supreme Judicial Court. Thirty one traverse Jurors
were drawn for the first session of the Superior Court & thirty
one traverse Jurors were drawn for the Criminal Session of the
Superior Court.

Donegan.

Petition of William Donegan that
Morton Street may be widened in front of Nos 18-20. Referred to
the Committee on Streets.

Smith

and

Petitions of Josiah A. Smith and
Benjamin Jones severally for leave to water certain streets of
this City. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Atkins

Petition of Ebenezer Atkins volters
that John McConny be appointed to superintend the Pub-
lic Square at East Boston. Referred to the Committee on the Com-
mon and Public Squares

Petition of Henry Smith and 121

others that the sidewalks on Springfield and Worcester Streets from Shawmut Avenue to Washington Street may be laid. Referred to the Committee on Paving. March 28, 1864
Smith.

Petition of Henry A. Turner and others that West Street may be re-numbered. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Turner

Petition of Boston Milling and Manufacturing Company for leave to construct a Flapmill Gate in Eagle Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Boston
Milling Co.

Petition of Davis, Chapin & Co. for leave to construct a cellar under the sidewalk of South Market Street to connect with cellar N° 15. Referred to the Committee on the Market with full power. Davis.

Petition of William A. Mann for an abatement of an assessment for construction of a sewer in Carver Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers. Mann

Agreeably to the recommendation of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department the discharges of B. Frank from Engine N° 1, Benjamin Swift and Messrs. from Engine N° 2, Joseph Young from Engine N° 8, Walter Durymphe from Hose N° 8, and H. H. Fines from Hook and Ladder N° 1 were approved by this Board. Fire
Department
discharges

On nomination by the Mayor the following persons were confirmed and appointed members of the Fire Department Engine N° 1 George Gerrish Engine N° 2 G. Humphreys Hose N° 8 George H. Fire
Department
admission

22 Hamilton St. N. S. Henry E. Newton Kirk and Ludden. N. S.
March 28, 1864. J. H. Freeman.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor, Joseph A. Richard, Henry Little Henry T. Myers and Benjamin C. Smith were appointed and confirmed as Police Officers of this City with all the powers of constables except the power of serving and executing civil process.

Special
Police

On nomination by the Mayor the following persons were appointed Special Police Officers of this City: Ezra Bond, Charles C. Butler, Joseph A. Adams, J. H. Howe, Isaac Masley, Maurice B. Rowe, Charles G. Torristall, John Large, Thomas Ezra L. W. Maybury for the Internal Health Department. Alfred Johnson, Benjamin Hagan, Abram Davis, John Kennison, Calvin Stone for the Paving Department.

Water

Street

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Water Street by taking land of John H. Hairs, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets.

Appropriations.
transfers.

The Committee on Finance having duly considered several applications to the Council for additional appropriations, which were referred to them on the 17th and 21st instants, respectfully recommend to the City Council the passage of the annexed order which will meet the wants of the several applicants. For the Committee W. Lincoln is Chairman. Ordered: That the following transfer of appropriation be hereby authorized, viz: From Widening Streets to Internal Health, ten thousand dollars, and to Samps twelve thousand dollars. From Paving to Printing, twenty six hundred dollars. From Armories

in John Carter on three and three. To the Department per 123
thousand from Living, three thousand from delinquent claims, March 28, 1864
and two thousand from Engineering. Passed in Common Council
Yeas, 45. Nays none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.
Yeas, Aldermen Clapp, Dana, Davies, Denio, Marsh, Messinger,
Nash, Norcross, Sprague, Stundish, Stevens, Warren 12. Nays none.
Approved by the Mayor, March 29, 1864.

Petition of Witherspoon & Witherspoon
Howbridge for extra compensation on their contract for work on
the City Hospital. Referred in Common Council to the Committee
on Claims. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The Committee on Public Peoples Ferry
Buildings to whom was referred the matter of inquiring with re-
gard to the present occupancy and guardianship of the property
previously employed for ferry purposes by the Ferry Com-
pany, beg leave to Report: They find the boats have been sold
to other parties and have discontinued to run for the accommo-
dation of the public; that the franchise has been sold with the
boats, but the franchise has not yet been transferred to the pur-
chaser; the Avenue on the East Boston side is now occupied for
ship building purposes by S. S. Allen; a small part of the wharf
is or was let by verbal lease to S. S. Allen by the Ferry Company
for one year for a nominal sum, say one hundred and fifty
dollars per year, which time will expire on April first next ensuing;
the balance of the wharf is unoccupied except by the parties to
whom was sold the coal lumber &c by the Ferry Company, the above
material not being all removed at this time. The passenger
rooms are in part occupied with old machinery and other debris.

124 belonging to persons unknown to this Committee. The Slip on the March 28 1864 Boston side is now occupied by a lumber shed to be owned by Calden and Spear; and to whom they pay rent, if anybody does not appear. There is also a building on the lumber side (Boston side), belonging to the Suffolk Horse Railroad Company, erected for a stable and now controlled by them, and for which they were to pay to the Ferry Company a ground rent of four hundred dollars; - and it further appears that there is no responsible party now having control of the foregoing property lately used by the Peoples Ferry Company as landing for the ferry run by them. For the Committee, Nathl Adams in Common Council. Read & accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Peoples Ferry
property
possession of

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings, with the approval of His Honor the Mayor and the City Solicitor, be authorized to take possession of the slips and docks lately used by the Peoples Ferry Company, and all other property which by reason of the non use thereof for the purposes of the Peoples Ferry, may rightfully belong to the City of Boston. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 30. 1864

City
Hospital
Trustees

Petition of Trustees of the City Hospital for a modification of the Ordinance in relation to that Institution whereby the Trustees can fix the compensation of the subordinate officers of that Institution. In Common Council referred to the Committee on Ordinances. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

An Ordinance entitled "An Ord- 125

inance in addition to an Ordinance in relation to the City Hospital which provides for the modification suggested and above by the Trustees, was referred in common Council to the Committee on Ordinances. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. March 28, 1867.

The Board of Land Commissioners to whom was referred the petition of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company for a release of certain conditions in the sale of land to them by the City on Tremont and Camden Streets, having duly considered the same would respectfully report that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Commissioner G. W. Messinger, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. March 31. Came up concurred. Metropolitan Railroad.

The Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred so much of the Mayor's Address as related to the subject of abolishing the Board of Land Commissioners, having carefully considered the matter would unanimously submit the following report. That in their opinion it is expedient for the reasons suggested by His Honor the Mayor, as well as for other reasons, to abolish the Board of Land Commissioners and to transfer all the powers and duties now belonging to that Board to the Committee on Public Lands, and in order to carry out these views they recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee G. W. Messinger, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances be, and they hereby are instructed to prepare an Ordinance corresponding with the views expressed in the foregoing report. Passed. Sent down for con- Land Commissioners.

120. insurance. March 31. came up & continued. Approved by the Mayor
March 28. 1864. April 1. 1864.

Hamilton

Place.

Ordered: That an assessment of thirteen dollars and twenty cents laid by this Board in December 1863 for the abatement of nuisance upon estate of Am. Josiah Quincy on the corner of Fremont Street and Hamilton Place, be and the same is hereby rescinded, said estate not being liable by the abatement of said nuisance. Approved by the Mayor, March 29. 1864.

Cross

Street

The resolve and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to widen Cross Street by taking land belonging to the City for that purpose were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, March 29. 1864.

Williams

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Thomas B. Williams, thirteen hundred and fifty five dollars for land taken to widen West Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, March 29. 1864.

Beach

Gravel

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board authorizing the Superintendent of Streets to advertise for proposals to furnish Beach gravel for the Siding Department, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor March 29. 1864.

Assistant

The Common Council having elected the following persons as Assistant Assessors - viz. Ward 1. Simeon P. Taylor, James Haley. Ward 2. James Whorf, Gilbert E. Pierce, Merrill Cole, John Shattuck. Ward 3. Abram J. English, Nathaniel Holmes. Ward 4. John Drion, J. S. Larruth, E. J. Pratt, Charles S.

Butler, Ward 5. Samuel I. Cudworth, Briggs Mann. Ward 6. Samuel 127
 Neal, David Kimball. Ward 7. Samuel Stone, Patrick Lovell. March 28, 1869
 Ward 8. Ellis Rich, Terry Brigham. Ward 9. Nahum M. Harrison.
 J. W. J. Hodder. Ward 10. Ansel Gothrop, Cha D. Davenport. Ward 11.
 Samuel B. Hopkins, John Ritchie, William Lane, Noah Lincoln, Ward
 No 12 Francis James, Oliver Briant, William C. Jenkins and Joseph
 Colburn. Said action came up for concurrence Read and laid
 on the table.

Ordered: That the City Engi- Suffolk
 ner be directed to give the proper grade of Suffolk Street at
 the northerly corner of Lucas Street to N. Heyman and Peter
 Wein, trustees. Street
 Heyman.

James Tobin was appointed a Coalweigher
 Coal Weigher of this City.

John Killeen was licensed to Second Hand
 deal in Second Hand Articles at 128 Broad Street. Articles

Joseph Colburn was licensed to Colburn
 give a Spring Exhibition at Simmons Hall on April 1st.

Charles W. Lawrence was appoint Auctioneer
 ed an Auctioneer at corner of C. Street and Broadway.

Leave was granted to Martha Goat
 Burr to keep a goat on her own premises at corner of Fifth and
 Gold Streets.

Agreeably to the report of the Com Market
 mittee on the Market the transfer of Stall No 175 New Sunnyside
 Hall Market from William Robinson to Joseph Killeen was ap

128. proved by the Board.

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Bowers

Leave was granted to Bowers and Prendergast to give Musical Exhibitions at the Melodion to commence March 28, 1864.

Way

Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repair a portion of Way Street, in conformity with the established grade, and remove all such projections on the line of said street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said street not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City, and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owners or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost eight hundred dollars.
Read once.

Malden

Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade Malden Street between Harrison Avenue and Albany Street.
Read once.

Adjourned to Wednesday next at eleven o'clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on Wednesday the thirtieth day of March, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Jail-

Prisoner.

Ordered: That the removal on the 29th instant of Joseph S. Minot a prisoner in the Jail

of the county of Suffolk from the custody of the Sheriff of 129
this county to Sea Island on account of said inmate having March 30 1864
a contagious disease, which in the opinion of the City Physician
endangered the health of the other prisoners in the jail, be and
the same is hereby approved by this Board.

Ordered: That the Treasurer Recruiting.
er be authorized to borrow under the direction of the Committee
on Finance the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars, the
same to be appropriated for the payment, under the direction
of the Board the Mayor, of one hundred and twenty five dol- Loan
lars to each volunteer enlisted and mustered, on and after
the thirtieth day of March 1864, into the service of the United
States as a part of the quota of the City of Boston, in accordance
with an Act of the Legislature approved March 18 1864 entitled
"An Act to authorize towns or cities to raise money for recruiting
purposes", and also an Act in addition to the same approved
March 28 1864. Read twice and passed. Yeas Clapp, Lunt, Lurie,
Linn, March, Messinger, Nash, Norcross, Sprague, Thendick, Thorne,
Warren 12. Nays none. Sent down for concurrence. (See page 130)

On motion of Alderman Nor- Assistant
cross the Board took from the table the subject of the election
of Assistant Assessors, and the ballots having been taken and
counted for said Assessors, it appeared that the persons recorded
on page 126, as elected by the Common Council were also chosen
by this Board in concurrence.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the
Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechan-
ics Hall on Thursday the thirty first day of March, Anno
Domini 1864.

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Marsh,
Stevens and Warren.

Recruiting

On motion of Alderman Norcross

Loan.

the Board reconsidered the vote whereby the Board was
yesterday authorized to procure a loan of Two Hundred Thou-
sand Dollars to be appropriated to the payment of the bounty
of one hundred and twenty five dollars to each volunteer on
Boston's quota and the question then being on the passage of
said order as amended page 129 it was amended by striking
out at A the word 'to' and inserting the word 'for' and as thus
amended the order was again passed. Yeas Aldermen Clapp, Dana,
Davies, Messinger, Nash, Norcross, Sprague, Standish and Denio,
9. Nays none. Sent down for concurrence came up concurred.
Yeas 37. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor April 1. 1864.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Alder-
men of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on Monday
the fourth day of April Anno Domini, 1864.

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petition of John Sullivan a 131
tenant of the Ashton Estate in Federal Street to be compensated April 4. 1864
for damages sustained by reason of cutting off a portion of said Sullivan
estate to widen said Federal Street. Referred to the Committee on
Streets.

Petition of William Lang for a Lang
statement of his taxes for the year 1863. Referred to the Committee on
the Assessor's Department.

Petition of Frederick Jones and Jones
others that Brookline Street from Shawmut Avenue to Tremont Street,
may be lighted with Gas. Referred to the Committee on Lamps

Petition of Patrick Mullen and Mullen
others that a Sewer may be laid in Dove Street from N. Street to
Dorchester Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of Job Turner and others Turner
that Mystic Street may be graded and paved. Referred to the
Committee on Paving.

Petition of William Linton for Linton
leave to construct a bulkhead entrance to cellar on A Street near
Broadway. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of John Kenney for leave Kenney
to remove the cellar door way in front of 458 Commercial Street
to another portion of said sidewalk. Referred to the Committee
on Paving.

Petition of Robert Mc Ninch and Mc Ninch
others that the grade of Dedham Street may be raised. Referred

132 to the Committee on Paving

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Owen

Petition of Elizabeth J. Owen for

abatement of a sidewalk assessment levied upon her estate. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Gibbs

Petition of Horace G. Gibbs for

leave to build a stable for more than four horses on Tudor Street. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Fremont

Street

Flagg.

Whereas, Alonzo Flagg has given

notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on the corner of Fremont and Marion Streets in the said city; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Alonzo Flagg that this Board intend to widen Fremont Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the eleventh day of April at four o'clock P. M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto

Hanover

Street

Sears

Blake

Davis.

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board,

the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Hanover Street should be widened it is therefore hereby Ordered, that due notice be given to David Sears, Jr. John D. Blake, and Caroline E. Davis, that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a portion of their land and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the eleventh day of April at four o'clock P. M., is assigned as the time for

hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

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On nomination by the Mayor William A. Scribner was admitted as a member of Engine Company No 10.

Fire
Department

A communication from the Overseers of the Poor stating that a vacancy exists in their Board by the resignation of Abraham G. Wyman, Jr. of Ward 11 was read and laid on the table.

Overseers
of the
Poor

No person appearing to object to the proposal widening of Fulton Place by taking a portion of the land belonging to the city for that purpose, said subject was committed to the Committee on Streets.

Fulton
Place

The Board of Engineers of the Fire Department submitted to this Board for its approval certain rules by them adopted this day respecting the qualifications of Engineers and Enginemen and the absences of permanent members from the Engine Houses. Read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Fire
Department
rules

Henry Faxon, Inspector of Milk submitted to the Board his annual report for the year ending March 31, 1864. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Milk
Inspector

On motion of Alderman Dana the Board took from the table the order of the Common Council for the appointment of a joint Special Committee to make arrangements for the proper reception of the Russian Squadron in this Port and the question being on the adoption of said order, as recorded page 102, it was passed in concurrence, and Aldermen

Russian
Squadron

134 Dana, Warren, Nash, Standish and Stevens were joined. Approved by the Mayor April 5. 1864.

Mass. Med.
Society -
Common Council
Room.

The Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the petition of the Massachusetts Medical Society for the use of the Common Council Room on the morning of May 25th next, respectfully report that the prayer of the petition is granted on the day and for the purpose indicated. For the Committee, Daniel Davis, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence April 14. Came up concurred.

Independence.

Ordered: That the President and one member from each Ward with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Committee to make suitable arrangements to celebrate the approaching anniversary of the Declaration of American Independence and that the expense thereof shall not exceed the sum of twelve thousand dollars & shall be charged to the appropriation for Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims. Ordered: That no part of the appropriation be expended for intoxicating drinks. Passed in Common Council and Messrs Keany, Elliott, Rice, Warren, Allen, Coolidge, W. Lathrop, Spring, Ayres, Stebbins, Richardson & Ward 11 and Smith were appointed on said Committee. Came up for concurrence: a motion by Alderman Warren to strike out the clause respecting intoxicating drinks having been lost, this Board concurred in the passage of said order and Aldermen Messinger, Norcross, Stevens, Smaque, Marsh, Davis and Denio were joined. Approved by the Mayor April 5. 1864.

On motion of Alderman 133
Sprague the petition of the Lincoln Guard for leave to do escort April 4, 1864.
duty to the Civic. Submitted on July 1st next was taken from
the table and referred to the Committee on Independence.
Sent down for concurrence. April 8. Came up concurred.

Alfred T. Turner, Superintend
ent of Streets submitted to the Board his report for the quarter
ending March 31st. Read and sent down. In Common Council.
Placed on file

Ezra Torristall, Superintend
ent of Health submitted to the Board his report for the quar-
ter ending March 31st. Read and sent down. In Common Coun-
cil. Placed on file.

John D. Cadogan, Sealer of
Weights and Measures, reported that for the last quarter he had
received and paid to the City Treasurer the sum of four hund-
red and forty one dollars and two cents. Read and sent down.
In Common Council. Placed on file.

C. B. Moulton, Sealer of
Weights and Measures, reported that for the last quarter he had received
and paid to the City Treasurer the sum of five hundred and
twenty six dollars and twenty seven cents. Read and sent down.
In Common Council. Placed on file.

Joseph L. Jones, City Physician
presented his report for the last quarter. Read and sent down.
In Common Council. Placed on file.

Silas E. Stone, Port Physician
submitted to the Board his quarterly report to March 31st 1864.

136 Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

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Edward Hutch, Inspector in Chief of Ballast submitted to the Board his quarterly report to April 1st. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Metropolitan
Railroad

Petition of the Metropolitan Rail Road company for removal of restrictions imposed on so much of their land as lies northwest of a line one hundred feet distant northwesterly from Tremont Street &c. Referred to the Board of Land Commissioners. Sent down for concurrence. April 8. Came up concurred.

City
Messenger
Assistant

Oliver A. Spurr, City Messenger, nominated to the City Council, as his Assistant Charles F. Marsh. Approved by Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

City
Hospital
Ordinance

The Committee on Ordinances, to whom were referred the request of the Trustees of the City Hospital that the Ordinance may be altered, and an Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance in relation to the City Hospital, respectfully report that Ordinance in a new draft, and recommend its passage. For the Committee, C. F. Dana, Chairman. In Common Council. Read, accepted and the ordinance passed. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor. April 5, 1864.

Bills
to be paid

Ordered: That the following bills for services rendered, or materials furnished, by persons connected directly or indirectly with the City Government, be paid; provided they are approved and allowed in the usual.

manner, viz: Lenio and Roberts, two hundred and twenty sev- 137
en dollars and twelve cents; one hundred and thirty dollars April 4, 1864.
and forty seven cents; five dollars. Sumner Crosby, four hundred
and eighty four dollars and fifty two cents; thirty seven dol
lars and sixty four cents. William Carpenter, three hundred
and ninety dollars; two hundred and sixty six dollars and
eight cents. Jonas Fitch, two hundred and thirty dollars. N. W.
Rall, eighty dollars. Granville Mearl twenty two dollars and
six cents. Robert Marsh twenty one dollars and thirty eight
cents. James M. Wightman, one hundred and thirty five dol
lars and twenty six cents. C. J. Garra eight seven dollars. Joseph
Dunbar sixty dollars. Passed in Common Council. Came up
for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor,
April 5, 1864.

The Board of Engineers of the Fire Department nominated George A. Allen as Secretary of
said Board, and the ballot having been taken and counted
for said Secretary, it appeared that said George A. Allen was
chosen. Sent down for concurrence. April 8. Came up concurred.

Petition of Tuttle, Howe & Co to be
compensated for loss and damages sustained under their
contract for work on the City Hospital. Referred to the Commit
tee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. April 8. Came up concur
red.

The order submitted to the Board on the twenty eighth ult^o for the Superintendent of
Streets to grade Malden Street between Harrison Avenue and Al
bany Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved

138. by the Mayor April 5 1864.

April 4. 1864.

Springfield

That

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters on Springfield Street between Washington and Sement Street who have not laid their sidewalks with brick to furnish new edge-stones to support the sidewalk, and to lay their sidewalks with brick, within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law.

Phonfield

Street

Church

Where in the opinion of this

Board the remaining walls of the Methodist Church, lately consumed by fire, in Phonfield Street, are dangerous to lives and property in that neighborhood, it is therefore Ordered: That due notice be given to the Trustees or Proprietors of said Church that they appear before this Board on Monday the eleventh day of April instant and shew cause why said walls should not be forthwith taken down and removed as a nuisance pursuant to the 87th Chapter of the General Statutes.

Way

Street

The order submitted to the Board

on the 28th ult^o for the Superintendent of Streets to repave a portion of Way Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor April 5. 1864.

City

Reports

valuation.

Ordered: That the Assessors be

and they hereby are directed to make and return to the City Council a valuation of the real property belonging to the City of Boston. Sent down for concurrence. April 8. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor April 11. 1864.

Ordered: That the Assessors 139

be and they are hereby directed in rendering the tax list for April 1864
in year 1864 to specify the amount respectively of the assessments Tax Bills
for State Taxes and for City and County Taxes

Whereas the late Andrew Curney Intra-mural
deceased, expressed the wish that his body might be interred with interment
in the grounds of the Curney Hospital at South Boston and whereas
as his family are anxious to comply with his said last request, Curney
it is therefore, hereby ordered that full permission be and it is here
by granted by this Board to the family of the deceased to inter the
said remains in the grounds of the Curney Hospital, South Boston
Approved by the Mayor April 4. 1864

Ordered: That the Committee East Boston
be appointed to ascertain the amount of duty taxes on the Ferry land
East Boston Ferry be allowed to report to this Board in print.
Approved by the Mayor April 5. 1864

Whereas it appears to this Board Jail
that Helen G. Bent and Margaret Vaughan prisoners in the
Suffolk County Jail are afflicted with a contagious disease
which is dangerous to the health of the other inmates of said
Jail it is therefore hereby Ordered: That the Sheriff of the said
County cause said two Prisoners to be removed forthwith to Green
Island Hospital there to remain in proper custody until said
disease is abated and removed.

The Committee on Internal Jones
Health to whom was referred the petition of Alexander N. Jones
to water certain streets, report: that leave be granted to water
Washington Street from Pine to Union Park Street, Tremont from

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Petition to Waltham Street, Essex, Common, Warren, Garland, from
Tremont to Washington. Little Garland, Harrison Avenue from
Railroad Bridge to Waltham Street - Dover - Davis - Shawmut Av-
enue to Union Park. Union Park - Groton. Milford, Parker, Inc, Church,
Marion, Waltham, Florence, Dwight, Hanson and Bradford Street.
For the Committee, G. W. Messinger, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Clark

The Committee on Internal Health
to whom was referred the petition of Malachi Clark for leave to
water certain streets have attended to the duty assigned them
and report - That leave be granted to water the following streets -
Washington from Milk to Pine Streets; Kneeland from Washington
to Albany Street. Bromfield. Franklin. Arch. Summer. Chauncey -
Bedford. Essex. High. Purchase. Albany. Mrs. Bennett. Harvard.
Hollis. Nassau. Devonshire from Milk to Summer. Hawley. Otis
Street and Supreme Place. For the Committee G. W. Messinger, Chair-
man. Read and accepted.

Smith

The Committee on Internal Health
to whom was referred the petition of Josiah A. Smith to water
certain streets report - That leave be granted to water all streets,
yards and parks south of Waltham Street, excepting Shawmut
Avenue and Washington Street between Union Park Street &
Waltham Street, and Union Park Street from Tremont to Washing-
ton Street. For the Committee, G. W. Messinger, Chairman. Read and
accepted.

Lowden

The Committee on Internal Health
to whom was referred the petition of Frederick Lowden to water
certain streets report - That leave be granted to water the follow-
ing streets - Harrison Avenue from Essex Street to Railroad Bridge -

Kingston, Lincoln, Beach, Hudson, Greenland from Albany to Fed- 141
eral Street, South Street from Chamber Street to Bridge - April 1, 1864
Broad Street from Rich Wharf to Federal Street, Granite, Edinboro,
Pearl and Lume Streets. For the Committee, G. W. Messinger, Chair-
man. Read and accepted.

The Committee on Internal Kelly
Health to whom was referred the petition of John Kelly to water
certain streets report that leave be granted to water the following
Allen, Blossom, McLean, Chambers, Staniford, Temple, Bowdoin,
Howard, Sudbury, Union, Street to Dock Square Friend, Portland,
Merrimac, Brighton, and North Charles Streets. For the Committee,
G. W. Messinger, Chairman. Read and accepted.

On petition of the Boston Mill- Boston
ing and Manufacturing Company for leave to construct a Milling
Platform Scale on Water Street, the Committee on Towing re-
ported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On the notice of intention to Hall
build by John C. Hall on Elm Street and Arch Street the Com- Arch Street
mittee on Streets reported that no action is necessary; but that
so much as relates to a proposed excavation under the side-
walk be referred to the Committee on Paving. Read and accept-
ed.

On the petition of Henry A. Mil- Williams
liam for leave to deal in Second Hand Articles in this City,
the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read
and accepted.

Leave was granted to Bertha

April 4, 1864. Here to deal in Second Hand Goods at 123 Cambridge Street.
Second Hand. and to Teresa Freedman to be a Pawnbroker at No 59
Pawnbroker. Merrimac Street.

Notice was received that Mr.

Gas. Foster was appointed in the Common Council a member
Committee of the Committee on Gas Consumption in place of Mr. Wadsworth
declined.

Gas. The report of the State Inspector
report of Gas for the month of March exhibiting the quantity of the Gas
used in Boston during said month was received. Laid on
the table and ordered to be printed.

Fulton. Resolved, That the safety and
Place convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Fulton
Place should be widened, and for that purpose it is neces-
sary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the
Said City, a parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston,
bounded as follows, viz: Southwardly by the proposed line
of widening of said Fulton Place, there measuring fifty four
feet and 70. Northwardly by North Street eleven feet and
53; Northeastwardly by the present line of Fulton Place fifty two
feet and 70 and Southeastwardly to the same line ten feet and
14; containing six hundred and fifty one square feet, more or
less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of
the Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose afore-
said, as appears by the return herunto annexed, It is there-
fore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and
the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or
way of the Said City according to a plan of the said widen-

ing made by A. Henry Craft, City Engineer, dated February 23rd 1864 and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Fulton Place, as aforesaid, will amount to nothing; which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Water Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to the Heirs of John Fleet bounded as follows, viz: Northwardly by the proposed line of widening of said street, being an irregular line, there measuring seventy three feet and $\frac{48}{100}$; and Southwardly by the present line of said street, being also an irregular line, seventy three feet and $\frac{6}{100}$: containing forty eight square feet and $\frac{54}{100}$, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by A. Henry Craft, City Engineer, dated April 11th 1864 and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Water Street, as aforesaid, will amount to one thousand dollars; which sum, together with the amount of estimates of pre-

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Water
Street

Read

view alterations or discontinuances in said sheet, during the present municipal year do not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Resolved: That the Superintendent of said sheet be authorized to re-number said sheet and once

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on Wednesday, the sixth day of April, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Denis, Warren, Dana and Stevens.

Resolved.

Ten Traverse Jurors were drawn for the first Session of the Superior Court and taken for the Supreme Judicial Court.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on Monday the eleventh day of April, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petition of William A. Rogers 1115
and others, that Albany Street be extended from Dover Street
to Troy Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. April 11. 1864.
Rogers

Petition of Nathan Matthews Matthews
for the line of Richmond Street adjoining his estate. Referred to
the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Thomas Smith for Smith
leave to take gravel from Long Island. Referred to the Committee
on the Harbor on the part of this Board.

Petition of Samuel S. Ames Ames
that Warren Avenue be lighted with Gas. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Lamps.

Petition of Naylor & Co for a Naylor
sewer in Dorchester Avenue from Beach to Taper Street. Refer-
red to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of Wheeler, Hatch & Co Wheeler
for leave to exhibit a circus company at South and East Boston
on or about April 23-25. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Lewis Knapp for ap- Knapp
pointment as a Fireman at 46. Commercial Street. Referred to
the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of F. B. Warren to be com- Warren
pensated for damage occasioned to his estate by the removal
of the Charles Street Bridge. Referred to the Committee on Fin-
ing.

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Wightman

Petition of Joseph M. Wightman
for leave to move a wooden building from East Third through
North Third to Battery Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving
with full power.

Brown.

Petition of Edward A. Brown and
others that the rate of speed observed by the Horse Cars in
Charleston Street may be diminished. Referred to the Commit-
tee on Paving.

Gay.

Petition of Edward Gay and others
that Leanton Street may be re-numbered. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Paving.

Police
Special

On nomination by the Mayor the
following persons were appointed Special Police Officers of this city.
George Sturges at Baker Building, James Welch, and John Foster
at Hitchcock's Rail Road, and Jackson B. Fox at Baker Street
Church.

Weights
& Measures.

On nomination by the Mayor,
G. J. B. Moulton and John D. Cadogan were appointed and con-
firmed as Sealers of Weights and Measures.

Measures of
Leather

On nomination by the Mayor the
following persons were appointed and confirmed as Measures
of Upper Leather William Hagden, John W. Hagden Jr.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor, the
following persons were appointed and confirmed as Police Officers
of this city with all the powers of constables except the power
of serving and executing civil process. Remond, H. Hickins,
August, Daniel C. Fayer, Andrew W. Walker, Samuel W. Gould.

Henry DeWitt, Michael William Curran, David Harris

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Bromfield

Street

Church

Jacob Keeper appeared on behalf of the Trustees of the Methodist Church in Bromfield Street and stated that said Trustees were negotiating either for the sale of said property or for the rebuilding of the Church and that if the subject of the removal of the walls of said structure could be delayed a few days, the danger would be averted; Whereupon, on motion of Alderman Clapp the subject was laid on the table.

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Harrison Avenue at the corner of Malden Street should be widened it is therefore hereby Ordered, that due notice be given to the Heirs of Cornelius Driscoll and to William C. Poland, that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a portion of their land and laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday, the eighteenth day of April at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Harrison

Avenue.

Driscoll.

Poland.

No one appearing to object to the proposed widening of Tremont Street by taking land of George Hugg; said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets.

Tremont

Street

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Hanover Street by taking land of David Sears, Jr. and others said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets.

Hanover

Street.

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Petition of William W. Clapp, Jr

April 11. 1864. and others that some means of surface drainage may be devised for the streets in Ward 11, whereby the flooding of the cellars of the houses in that locality may be avoided. Referred to the Joint Special Committee on Back Bay. Sent down for concurrence April 14. Came up concurred.

Clapp
South End
drainage

Moriarty

Petition of Maurice Moriarty

that he may be compensated for personal injuries by him sustained from a fall in Castle Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. April 14. Came up concurred.

Lorett.

Petition of Patrick Lorett to be

paid for his services as an Assessor in 1860-1861. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Claims. Came up for concurrence Read and concurred.

Wise

Petition of William M. Wise to be

compensated for injuries occasioned to his house 54 Orange Street from defective drainage. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Claims. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Adams

Petition of John 2. Adams to be com-

pensated for damage done to his estate on Boylston Street, by reason of the fall of the Winthrop House wall thereon. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. April 14. Came up concurred.

Abbe

Petition of Dr. Alanson Abbe to be

compensated for injury done to his house on Boylston Street by the falling of the Winthrop House wall thereon. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Claims. Came up for con-

currence. Read and concurred.

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Petition of John Horgan to be
paid for damages occasioned to his estate in West Castle Street
by defective drainage. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent
down for concurrence. April 11. Came up concurred.

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Horgan

Petition of Joseph Snow for leave
to enclose Yellick's Island which belongs to the City. Referred to
the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. April 11.
Came up concurred.

Snow

Petition of John Devine to be
compensated for injuries sustained by his wife Honora from an
alleged defect in Fair Street and Boston. Referred to the Commit-
tee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. April 11. Came up concur-
red.

Devine

Petition of the Boston Gas Light
Company assignees of the Metropolitan Gas and Light Company's
land on Camden Street for a release of certain conditions of
sale imposed thereon. Referred to the Board of Land Commis-
sioners. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Boston

Gas Light
Company

Ordered: That Ebenezer
Johnson, President of the Cochituate Water Board, be and he is
hereby authorized to sell for such consideration as he shall
deem expedient, and for the best interests of the City, the note
of May Haynard for six thousand dollars, dated the twenty-
ninth day of July, A.D. 1858, and payable to the City of Boston
or its order, in five years from the said date, with interest semi-
annually; and upon such sale the said Johnson may indorse

Haynard

lion. Sent down for concurrence. April 11. Came up concurred. 151

Approved by the Mayor April 15. 1864. April 11. 1864

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances consider and report whether any ordinance will be required to carry out the provision of the 12th Chapter of the Act of 1844 relating to the Overseers of the Poor of the city of Boston and if so, to report a proper ordinance. Sent down for concurrence. April 14. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor April 15. 1864. Overseers of the Poor

Ordered: That the Committee on Overseers of the Poor be requested to nominate suitable persons to be elected as a Board of Overseers of the Poor in the city of Boston pursuant to chapter 12th of the Act of 1844. Sent down for concurrence. April 11. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. April 15. 1864. Committee on Overseers of the Poor

The Committee on Cemeteries, St. Matthews' Church
to whom was referred a communication from Hon. J. M. Wightman, in behalf of the Trustees of Mount Hope Cemetery, asking explanation of the order of the City Council of December 12, 1863, permitting the Trustees of St. Matthews' Church to remove the dead bodies interred and entombed on their premises, and appropriating certain land in Mount Hope Cemetery for the interment of said bodies, respectfully Report, That as the order referred to is not sufficiently clear in its language to enable the Trustees to act upon it, and as the subject of it must still be a matter of negotiation with the owners of the Church property, it is expedient that the order should be rescinded. The Committee therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, H. A. Stevens, Chairman. Ordered: That the

152 orders of the City Council, of December 12, 1863, relating to the removal of dead bodies from St. Matthews' Church, and their re-interment in Mount Hope Cemetery be and they are hereby so read, read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence in Common Council. Laid on the table.

Soldiers' Relief

The Paymaster of the relief to Soldiers' families reported that for the quarter ending March 1, 1864, there was expended for this object in aid of the fund the sum of six thousand two hundred and fifty four dollars. Read and sent down In Common Council. Placed on file.

West Street

The order submitted to the Board on the fourth instant for the Superintendent of Streets to cause West Street to be re-numbered was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor April 12, 1864.

Fire

Ordered: That the Committee on the Fire Department be and they are hereby authorized to purchase twelve hundred feet of leather hauling hose for the use of that department at an expense not exceeding two thousand dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor April 12, 1864.

Water

Street

The resolve and order submitted to the Board on the fourth instant to widen Water Street by taking land from the heirs of John Fleet were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor April 12, 1864.

Fulton

Place

The resolve and order submitted to the Board on the fourth instant to widen Fulton Place by taking a portion of the City's land therefor were read a second time

and passed. Approved by the Mayor April 12. 1864.

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Whereas it appears to this Board Jail.

that George A. Smith a prisoner in the Suffolk County Jail is afflicted with a contagious disease which is dangerous to the health of the other inmates of said Jail it is hereby Ordered: That the Sheriff of said County be and he is hereby authorized to remove said Smith from the Jail to such place there to be kept in proper custody until said disease is abated.

On petition of William Nichols

W. Nichols of Boston, praying this Board to estimate the damages occasioned to his estate on B. Street, South Boston, by the location of the Midland Railroad, the Boston and New York Central Rail Road or the Southern Midland Railroad, across Turnpike Street, so that by reason of the necessary change of grade on said B. Street and Turnpike Street said Nichols estate was damaged - and it now appearing that the said Southern Midland Rail Road, have been duly notified in writing of the pendency of said petition, it is hereby Ordered: That this Board do adjudge the damages sustained by the said petitioner as aforesaid, in the sum of one dollar. Southern Midland Railroad.

The Committee on Internal Gormley

Health to whom was referred the petition of Michael Gormley for leave to water certain streets. Report: That leave be granted said Gormley to water Beacon Street west of Charles Street. (Sunday excepted). For the Committee, G. W. Messinger, Chairman. Read and accepted.

The Committee on Internal Health. Green

to whom was referred the petition of Daniel Green for a license to

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April 11. 1864. with certain streets report: That leave be granted to water that
Boston Street from Milk to Dock Square. That School Congregational
Water, Central, India, Commercial, Court, Hill, Green,
Severell, Hanover, Blackstone, Lowell, Causeway, Mint, Andover,
Easton, Cornhill, Exchange, Public, Charleston, North, Taber
from Milk to Channing, Broad from Rule to Rich Wharf North
and South. Water Street. Merchants Row. Union Street Square
Dock Square Bowdoin Square, Haymarket Square, Court Square,
Hemont. Row and Street to School Street. in the Committee G. W.
Messinger, Chairman. Read & accepted.

Magoun

The Committee on Internal
Health to whom was referred the petition of James D. Magoun
to water the streets in Ward 12. Report: That leave be granted
said Magoun to water the streets in Ward 12. For the Committee,
G. W. Messinger, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Jones

The Committee on Internal Health
to whom was referred the petition of Benjamin Jones to water
certain streets. Report: That leave be granted to water the follow-
ing streets. Charles Street north of Beacon, Beacon to Charles Street
West of Hemont Street. Bridge, Chestnut, Mount Vernon, North
State, Cambridge, Brighton and, Winton Street. Mount Vernon
Providence to Hemont Street. Hemont from Eliot to School Street.
Providence. Winter. West. Fayette. Park and Revere Streets. For the
Committee, G. W. Messinger, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Fifth
Street

Whereas it appears to this Board
that a nuisance exists on a vacant lot on Fifth Street be-
tween Dorchester and F. Streets caused by stagnant water

on said premises, belonging to David Sears which is dang- 155.
erous to the health of the inhabitants it is hereby ordered
That the Superintendent of Public Health and he or his deputy di-
rected to cause said nuisance to be abated by constructing
a good and sufficient drain at the expense of said party,
who having been duly notified to do so, has neglected to abate
said nuisance.

Lease to the City of Boston from Frederick Nickerson of two rooms in rear of Beacon Hall for school
purpose for three years from October 1st 1863 at annual rent of
three hundred and fifty dollars was approved by the Board.

The Committee on Lamps, Bells and Clocks to whom was referred an order of the Common
Council in regard to placing four or more lamps on the av-
enue of the Common running from the West Street to the cor-
ner of Park and Beacon Streets have considered the same and
beg leave to Report: That the expense of carrying out this order
would be about eleven hundred dollars and the Committee are
of opinion that the public benefit derived from the erection of
these lamps would not be commensurate with so large an ex-
penditure. For the Committee S. A. Denis, Chairman. Read and
accepted.

The several Quant Officers of the Northern, Southern and South Districts submitted their
reports for the quarter ending March 31, 1864. Read and placed
on file.

Leave was granted to Edwin Bruce to give a concert at Tremont Temple April 16.

April 11, 1864

Market

Hall

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on the Market the danger of Hall No. 17, New Haven Street Market from Joseph Allen to E. C. Nichols was approved by the Board.

Fire
Department
rules

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on the Fire Department the rules proposed by the Engineer of the Fire Department, April 7, and submitted to this Board for confirmation, were this day approved. These rules provide that all applicants for the positions of Enginemen or Firemen shall be recommended as good mechanics having a knowledge of the application of Steam to Steam Fire Engines. That after examination by the Chief Engineer or a Committee of the Board of Engineers the said applicant shall be admitted or reject at its discretion. That the permanent members of the Engine Companies shall not leave their respective engine houses without leave, and that the Engineman shall report to the Board of Engineers such members of his company who do absent themselves without a written permit from the Chief Engineer or the Assistant Engineer having such engine in charge.

Tremont

that

Hagg

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that Tremont Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City a parcel of land belonging to George Hagg bounded as follows: Southwesterly by the proposed line of widening of said street, there measuring eleven feet and $\frac{3}{4}$ inches; and Southwardly by the present line of said street eleven feet; and Southwestwardly by the same three feet and $\frac{23}{100}$ containing seventeen

square feet and $\frac{7}{100}$, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has 157.
been given of the intention of the Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed; It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City, according to a plan of the said widening made by N. Henry Crafts, City Engineer, dated April 11th 1864 and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Cement Street, as aforesaid, will amount to seventy five dollars; which sum, together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

The Committee on Pub- City Swill
lic Buildings, who were directed to consider and report on the house
expediency of locating the new Swill house near the City Stables
and to whom was referred a remonstrance of the Trustees of
the City Hospital against such location in the vicinity of that
Institution. have considered the subject and unanimously
recommend the passage of the following resolve and order. For
the Committee, Daniel Davies, Chairman. Resolved: That in the
opinion of the City Council the new Swill House of this City should
be located on the Wharf next north of the Brookline Street Dock
Ordered: That the foregoing report and resolve be referred to the
Board of Land Commissioners. Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid to Flagg
Henry Flagg the sum of seventy five dollars, to be paid taken to

158. widen Tremont Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening streets. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on Tuesday the twelfth day of April, Anno Domini, 1864.
Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Standish, Stevens, Sprague and Denio.

Jurors

Ten traverse Jurors were drawn for the Superior Court (Criminal Session)

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on Monday the eighteenth day of April, Anno Domini 1864.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Grant

Petition of William Evans and others that Kneeland Street from South to Lincoln Street.

Manuel Street from South to Mica Street and Mica Street into
of Island Street may be graded and paved. Referred to the Jul 18 1866
Committee on Paving.

Petition of Nathaniel Whiting Whiting
that a sewer may be laid in Williams Court. Referred to the
Committee on Sewers.

Petition of Henry Burnett for Burnett
leave to fill ballast from Winthrop's Barches. Referred to the
Committee on the Harbor on the part of this Board.

Petition of J. L. Wheeler and Wheeler
others for removal of obstruction from Murray Court. Referred to
the Committee on Paving.

Remonstrance of James Hend- Hendley
ley and others against the erection of a statue in Winsor
Court. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Petition of Patrick Ballou for Ballou
appointment as a dealer in Second Hand Articles at 279 Com-
mercial Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of A. J. Hayes & others Hayes
that Argyle Street may be widened from Washington to Sum-
mit Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

No person appearing to object Harrison
to the proposed widening of Harrison Avenue by taking land Harrison
of C. S. S. heirs and William C. Flann. said subject was re-
committed to the Committee on Streets.

Ordered: That due notice be given

April 18. 1844 on that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M. take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in Eighth Street between Second & Third, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Dove
Street

Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in Lane Street from Howard's Locks to the Street and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Tenant
Office

On nomination by the Mayor
Phineas Bates was appointed and confirmed as a Tenant
Officer in place of William F. Reed resigned

Constable

On nomination by the Mayor,
Phineas Bates was also appointed and confirmed as a Constable.

Measurer

On nomination by the Mayor, Wil-
son Bates was appointed and confirmed as a Measurer of
Upper Leather

Among the following persons were appointed Special Police
 of this City, viz. Peter Hobart & Co. Harvard Place.
 George W. French for Eastern Rail Road Station. Charles Chittenden,
 and John H. Lee and Jeremiah H. Bailey for duty at Boston
 Gas Light Company's Works.

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Special
Police

A communication was re-
 ceived from the Insulated Air Line Telegraph Company stating
 that a regular meeting of said Company, the acceptance
 on February 24, 1864 by S. F. Van Hook of the privileges gran-
 ted by the City to said Company, was ratified and confirmed.

Insulated
Air Line
Telegraph

Petition of the Standing Com-
 mittee of the Fourth Street Baptist Church for the release of cer-
 tain conditions of the sale of land to them on corner of Fourth
 and E. Streets. Referred to the Board of Land Commissioners.
 Sent down for concurrence. April 21. Came up concurred.

Fourth Street
Bapt. Church

Petition of John Fitzpatrick to
 be compensated for personal injuries sustained in conse-
 quence of his falling into an open crevice on Blackstone Street.
 Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence.
 April 21. Came up concurred.

Fitzpatrick

Petition of Frederic Rodolph
 to be compensated for damages occasioned by the fall of the
 Winthrop House wall upon his store 24 Boylston Street. Referred
 to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. April
 21. Came up concurred.

Rodolph

Flander!

The Committee on Claims,

they therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to 163.
withdraw. For the Committee (Mr. Stevens, chairman) Read April 18/64
and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. April 21. Came up con-
curred.

Ordered: That Aldermen Marsh Ballast
and Stevens with such as the Common Council may join be Inspectors
a Committee to nominate suitable persons as candidates for
the office of Ballast Inspectors &c. Sent down for concurrence.
April 21. Came up concurred and Messrs Woodbury, Haves and
Richardson of Ward 8 were joined. Approved by the Mayor April
22. 1864.

On motion of Alderman Nash Butler.
the Board reconsidered the vote whereby this Board at the meet- Primary School
ing on the eleventh instant concurred with the Common Coun- chairs.
cil in the passage of an order authorizing the Committee on
Public Buildings to give to General Butler certain old school
chairs for use in his Department, and the question being on the
passage of said order as recorded page 150, it was amended
by striking out the word 'contribute' and inserting the word
'sell'. Sent down for concurrence. April 21. Came up concurred.
Approved by the Mayor April 22. 1864.

A request from the Auditor Appropriations.
of accounts for additions to the appropriations for Grammar Schools
Primary Schools, Fire Department, Public Buildings, State Tax
and Engineering, was referred in Common Council to the
Committee on Finance. Came up for concurrence Read and
concurred.

Upon the Auditor's communi- Mr. Lyman
cation of the fifth instant, relating to a renewal of James W. Rat

164. Reed's mortgage of four thousand dollars it was voted by the
April 18. 1864 Committee on Finance to recommend the City Council to au-
thorize the Mayor to extend the same, by the passage of the
annexed order. For the Committee, J. W. Lincoln, Jr. Chairman.
Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor, with the advice of the City
Solicitor, be and he is authorized to extend, for five years longer,
the mortgage of James W. Reed on his property in Westbury.
Mortgage four thousand dollars belonging to the Library Trust
and read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor April 20. 1864.

Swill

House

The resolve and order submit-
ted to the Board on the eleventh instant for the establish-
ment of the City Swill House on the wharf next north of the
Brookline Street dock, were read a second time and passed.
Sent down for concurrence. April 21. Came up concurred. Appro-
ved by the Mayor April 27. 1864.

Appropriation

Bill.

annual.

City Doc. 36.

The joint Committee of the City
Council on the Auditor's Estimates for the next financial year,
(1st May, 1864, to 30th April, 1865, inclusive) have duly considered
the same, and have unanimously voted to recommend to
the City Council the adoption of the Estimates, as reported
by the Auditor, with the following additions, which, in their
opinion will be required for the service of that year, viz: To
Boston Harbor add two thousand dollars, which it is supposed
will be required for extra repairs on the sea walls for pro-
tection of the Islands in the harbor. To Bridges add fifteen
hundred dollars, being an additional amount asked for
by the Committee on that Department since their first estimate.

To salaries they recommend an addition of seventeen thousand dollars. The workshop for female convict at the House of Correction at South Boston. This Committee, concurring in the opinion of the Directors of the Public Institutions, do recommend an addition of ten thousand dollars for that purpose. For closing up the Commission on the Back Bay Drainage, &c., the Committee on that subject asked for an appropriation, and this Committee recommend a grant of five thousand dollars, which sum will replace an unexpended balance of nearly that amount now on hand, and which will be emerged in the sinking fund of the present year. For War expenses, it was thought advisable to have an appropriation at the disposal of the Mayor sufficiently large to meet any emergency that might arise requiring immediate expenditures; they, therefore, recommend an increase of the Auditor's estimate, from twenty thousand dollars to seventy five thousand dollars. These additions, amounting in all to the sum of ninety thousand five hundred dollars, will give the following result, viz:

Whole appropriation, \$ 4470,050,00

Deduct Income, as reported by the Auditor. 829,535,00

Net amount required, \$ 3648,515,00

To meet which the Auditor thinks a great tax of \$3,800,000 will be necessary, being an increase of \$480,000 over the amount required last year. The Committee, therefore, recommend to the City Council the passage of the two orders annexed, one for making the Appropriation and one for the assessment of the Tax required to meet the same. For the Committee, F. W. Lincoln, Jr. Chairman. An Order relating to the Specific Appropriations for the Financial Year 1846-47. It is hereby ordered by the City Council, That to defray the Expens

166. *Since of the City of Boston and the County of Suffolk, for the*
April 18. 1864 financial year which will commence with the first day of
May, 1864, and end with the last day of April 1865, the following
sums of money be and the same are hereby respectively ap-
propriated for the objects and purposes as explained in the du-
lith estimate and in the application of the various committees
and Boards, contained and printed in this Document. And it is
further ordered, That no money shall be expended, and no debt
be incurred for any object or purpose for which a specific ap-
propriation is herein made, beyond the amount which is so
specifically appropriated; provided, however, that any sums of
money which may be subscribed or contributed by individu-
als to promote the objects of any of the foregoing appropriations,
and which form no part of the estimated income of the City, shall
be strictly applied, according to the intention of the contributors,
and shall be credited to such appropriations accordingly; that
is to say: For

<i>General</i> Fifteen thousand dollars	\$ 15,000.00
<i>Advertising and Newspaper</i> Two thousand dollars	2,000.00
<i>Annuitant</i> One thousand two hundred dollars	1,200.00
<i>Back Bay</i> Five thousand dollars	5,000.00
<i>Bells and blocks</i> One thousand five hundred dollars	1,500.00
<i>Burial-Grounds</i> (See Cemeteries)	
<i>Bridges</i> Eight thousand dollars	8,000.00
<i>Boston Harbor</i> Ten thousand dollars	10,000.00
<i>Cemeteries</i> Six thousand dollars	6,000.00
<i>City Hospital</i> Thirty thousand dollars	30,000.00
<i>County of Suffolk</i> One hundred and seventy five thousand dollars	175,000.00

Common. Twenty-five thousand dollars	25,000.00	167.
City Sct. Three hundred thousand dollars	300,000.00	Apr. 18. 1868
Engine Houses. Three thousand dollars	3,000.00	
Engineers Department. Seven thousand two hundred dollars	7,200.00	
Internal Health Department. Two thousand one hundred and twenty five dollars	2,125.00	
Fire Alarm Department. Ten thousand one hundred dollars	10,100.00	
Fire Department. One hundred and four thousand seven hundred dollars	104,700.00	
Internal Health Department. One hundred and fifty three thousand five hundred dollars	153,500.00	
Interest on City Sct. Four hundred thousand dollars	400,000.00	
Incidental Expenses. Sixty five thousand dollars	65,000.00	
Lamps. One hundred and seventy one thousand seven hundred & twenty five dollars	171,725.00	
Library. Twenty six thousand dollars	26,000.00	
Market Houses. Four thousand nine hundred dollars	4,900.00	
Militia Bounty. Three thousand dollars	3,000.00	
Mount Hope Cemetery. Two thousand dollars	2,000.00	
Overseers of the Poor. Forty-three thousand eight hundred dollars	43,800.00	
Old Claims. Five thousand dollars	5,000.00	
Saving, Grading, and Repair of Streets. One hundred and fifty six thousand dollars.	156,000.00	
Police. Three hundred and fifteen thousand dollars	315,000.00	
Public Buildings. Twenty thousand dollars	20,000.00	
Public Library. See Library.		

168. Public Institutions. One hundred and eighty-five	
thousand three hundred dollars	185,300.00
Also for a new workshop for female convicts.	
Ten thousand dollars	10,000.00
Printing and Stationery. Twenty thousand dollars	20,000.00
Reserved Fund. Forty-five thousand dollars	45,000.00
Schools and School Houses. Four hundred and eighty-five thousand dollars	485,000.00
Steamboat. See Public Institutions.	
State Tax. Eight hundred thousand dollars	800,000.00
Sewers and Drains. Thirty thousand dollars	30,000.00
Salaries. One hundred and fifteen thousand dollars	115,000.00
Undisputed Claims. Twenty five thousand dollars	25,000.00
Printing and Stationery. Five thousand dollars	5,000.00
Water Works including Interest on cost of the Works.	
Five hundred & sixty-five thousand dollars	565,000.00
War Expenses. Twenty five thousand dollars	25,000.00
	<u>4,478,150.00</u>

Say four million four hundred and seventy-eight thousand and fifty dollars. Passed in Common Council with this amendment at A. insert 'Recruiting Purposes, Two hundred thousand dollars.' Came up in concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor April 20. 1864.

For

An Order laying a Specific Tax to defray the expenses of the City of Boston and the County of Suffolk for the financial year 1864-65. Ordered that the sum of four millions and eighty thousand dollars (\$4,080,000) be raised on the polls and estates taxable in this City according to law, to pay the current expenses of the City of Boston and County of

Suffolk during the financial year which will commence with 169
the first day of May, 1864, and end with the last day of April, April 18, 1864
1865. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read
and concurred. Approved by the Mayor April 20, 1864.

The Committee on Ordinances Land
reported, as per City Document 39, an Ordinance est-
ablishing the Board of Land Commissioners. Read twice and
said ordinance passed with these amendments. In Section 1, strike
out "and flats" in Section 17, strike out "five" and insert "eighty",
and strike out "fifty six" and insert "sixty three". Sent down for
concurrence. April 21. Came up concurred. See page 198/

On motion of Alderman Stevens Field Driver
William C. Stinson was appointed a Field Driver and Pound
Keeper at East Boston. Sent down for concurrence. April 21. Came
up concurred.

The resolve and order submit- Tremont
ted to the Board on the eleventh instant to widen Tremont
Street by taking land of George Hugg was read a second time
and passed. Approved by the Mayor April 20, 1864.

The order submitted at the meet- Hugg
ing of the Board on the eleventh instant to pay George Hugg
Twenty five dollars for land taken to widen Tremont Street, was
read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor. April 21,
1864.

On petition of Horace G. Gibbs for Gibbs
leave to build a stable for more than four horses on Tudor Street,

170 the Committee on Internal Health reported that leave be granted April 18. 1864 and that so much of said petition as relates to the grade and line of Tudor Street between E. and F. streets be referred to the Committee on Streets. Read, accepted and referred accordingly.

Kenney

On petition of John Kenney for leave to move the cellar door way in front of 458 Commercial Street to another portion of said sidewalk, the Committee on Paving reported that leave be granted provided the opening does not project more than eighteen inches into the sidewalk. Read and accepted.

Wilder

Leave was granted to J. W. Wilder to give Magical Entertainments at Tremont Temple, April 18th &c. on the usual conditions.

Wheeler, Hatch

Leave was granted to Wheeler, Hatch and Hitchcock to exhibit a circus company at East and South Boston on April 23. 25.

Harrison Avenue.

Poland.
Reed.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that Harrison Avenue should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to William C. Poland and John Reed bounded as follows, viz: Southeastwardly by the proposed line of widening of said Harrison Avenue, there measuring eighty feet and $\frac{4}{10}$; Northwardly by and formerly taken of Sidney B. Morse to widen said Avenue, ten feet and $\frac{4}{10}$; Northwestwardly by the present line of said Avenue, eighty feet and $\frac{4}{10}$; and Southwestwardly by Malden Street, ten feet & $\frac{7}{10}$; containing eight hundred and four square feet and $\frac{4}{10}$.

more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the in- 191
tention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose April 18. 1864
aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is there-
fore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and
the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or
way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening
made by S. Henry Knight City Engineer, dated April 15th 1864, and
deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this
Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Harri-
son Avenue, as aforesaid, will amount to one thousand dollars;
which sum, together with the amount of estimates of previous
alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present
municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dol-
lars. Read once.

Ordered: That the sum of Mann
seventeen dollars and eighty cents, assessed upon William H. Mann Street
Mann for his proportion of the cost of the Common Sewer in Mann Street
Street, be, and the same is, hereby abated, his estate not being
liable to assessment. Read once. Sewer

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Alder-
men of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on Monday the
twenty-fifth Day of April, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen McLaughlin.

172.

Petition of A. Nelson and Son &

that that "cut" from E. to S. Street may be made passable.
Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Grace Church for

statement of assessment for construction of a sewer in Ridge
way Lane. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Super

Petition of Henry Taxon, In-

spector of Milk, for increase of salary. Referred to the Committee
on Internal Health.

Janis

Petition of William Janis and

others respecting the insufficiency of drainage in Wheeler's Court.
Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Police

Chief

On nomination by the Mayor,

the following persons were appointed Special Police Officers:-
Samuel Harden for duty at Faneuil Hall Market, June 11. Levi
for duty at Piercer's Market Station. Jacob Lewis for duty at Fed
eral Street Bridge. George H. Lewis for duty at Mount Washington
Avenue Bridge.

Barrett

Street

Hathaway

Whereas, in the opinion of the

Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require
that Barrett Street should be widened it is therefore hereby Or-
dered, that due notice be given to William Rice, Trustee of the
estate of the heirs of Mrs. Elisha Hathaway, that this Board in-
tend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a portion of
their land and laying out the same as a public Street and
that Monday the second day of May at four o'clock P.M. is
designated as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Petition of E. L. Sanderson for 173
leave to furnish the "freemason" on the approaching birth of April 25, 1864.
July. Referred to the Committee on celebration of that day. Sent Sanderson
down for concurrence. April 28. Came up concurred.

Petition of Charles Butler for Butler
compensation for an injury done to his house in Oliver Street
in consequence of an illegal deposit in said street. Referred to
the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. April 28.
Came up concurred.

Petition of Michael Quinn to Quinn
be paid for damage occasioned to his house 23 West Fourth Street
in consequence of defective drainage. Referred to the Committee
on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. April 28. Came up con-
curred.

Petition of Mrs. Sarah A. Hastings Hastings
to be compensated for damage done to the estate N^o 4 Vil-
lage Street by reason of defective drainage there. Referred to
the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. April 28.
Came up concurred.

A letter of resignation from Abram Assessor Asst-
"Vacation" of the office of "Assistant" Assessor for Ward 3, was ac-
cepted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read
and concurred.

Ordered: That the Committee on Advertising-
Printing consider and report how many and what papers it City
is expedient for the City to employ to do the usual City Adver-
tising from May 1st 1864. Sent down for concurrence. April 28.
Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor April 24, 1864.

174.

A communication was received

April 25. 1864
Library

from the Trustees of the Public Library nominating Charles C. Jewett as Superintendent, and Edward Capen as Librarian of the Public Library for the year ensuing. Read and sent down. In Common Council Placed on file.

Library
Superintendent

The ballots having been tak-

en and counted for a Superintendent of the Public Library, it appeared that Charles C. Jewett was chosen. Sent down for concurrence April 28. Came up concurred.

Librarian

The ballots having been tak-

en and counted for a Librarian of the Public Library it appeared that Edward Capen was chosen. Sent down for concurrence April 28. Came up concurred.

Totten

Alderman Stevens of the Harbor Committee submitted to the Board the following Preamble and resolves: "The recent death of Major General F. S. Totten has deprived the country of an able and honored public servant; whose career of nearly three score years has been passed in works which bear evidence of his distinguished skill, and speak to us of his noble devotion to the high calling to which he dedicated his life. With our own City his relations have long been those of a friend and counsellor; his interest in the perpetuation of our harbor has been signally manifested by so many acts of kindness that it is due to his memory to place on our records a brief tribute of respect: Therefore Resolved: That the City Council of Boston hear with sadness of the departure of the gallant veteran, whose skill was made manifest at Vera Cruz, in our war with Mexico, and who has ever maintained before the Country a distinguished reputation for

ability as a military engineer, giving a long life to public 175.
service, and in his civil relations demeaning himself with April 25. 1864.
the urbanity and courtesy of the true gentleman. Those who
knew him personally will recall with gratification the fun
and pleasure of his acquaintance, and give to his memory
the tribute due to exalted worth, while all feel that in honoring
him we honor the City that we represent. Resolved: That a
copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased.
Read and passed unanimously. Sent down for concurrence.
Came up concurred unanimously. Approved by the Mayor. April
29. 1864.

The Committee on Finance Appropriations
having duly considered the communication of the Auditor of
the fourteenth instant, relating to additional appropriations,
have voted unanimously to recommend to the City Council
the passage of the Annexed order. For the Committee,
J. W. Lincoln, Jr. Chairman. Ordered: That the Auditor of Ac-
count be and is authorized to make the following transfers of
appropriations viz: from County of Suffolk to Grammar School
seven thousand dollars: from Instructors of Grammar School
to Primary School, fifteen hundred dollars: from Treasurer of the
Poor to Engineering, fifteen hundred dollars: from Engineer House
to Public Buildings one thousand dollars: from Treasurer of the
Poor to Fire Department eight hundred dollars: from Reserved
Fund to State Tax six hundred dollars:—Also, such other trans-
fers as it may be necessary to make in closing the business
of this financial year, which closes on the thirtieth instant.
Passed in Common Council. Yeas 42. Nays none. Came up for
concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas Aldermen Clapp, Dana,

176. Davis, Marsh, Vash, Verch, Sprague, Standish, Heron Warren
April 25. 1864. 10. Vay none. Ward Alderman Denio. Approved by the Mayor,
April 26. 1864.

Ballast
Inspectors

The joint Special Committee appointed to nominate inspectors of Ballast for the ensuing year, by leave to report the following: For chief inspector Edward Hatch. For Assistant Inspectors William F. Clark, William L. Battis, Peter Conroy. For the Committee Robert Marsh, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. April 28. Came up concurred.

Ballast
Inspectors
chosen

The ballots having been taken and counted for Ballast Inspectors &c, it appeared that Edward Hatch was chosen inspector in chief and William F. Clark, William L. Battis and Peter Conroy Assistant. Sent down for concurrence. April 28. Came up concurred.

Mann

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to abate the sum of seventeen dollars and eighty cents from the assessment upon William H. Mann for construction of a sewer in Leaver Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor April 26. 1864.

Owen

Ordered: That the City Treasurer abate the assessment against Elizabeth Owen, amounting to twenty-one dollars and fifty-four cents, for edgestones on Purchase Street, on account of inability to pay. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor April 26. 1864.

The resolve and order sub-177
milled at the last meeting of the Board to widen Harrison Av- April 25. 1864.
enue by taking land of William W. Bond and John Red were
read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Apr
26. 1864.

The Bond of Phineas Bates, Constables
a constable having already been approved by the City Treas-
urer, was approved by the Board. Approved by the Mayor, Ap-
ril 26. 1864.

The Committee on Streets, Gibbs
to whom was referred so much of the petition of Horace J. Gibbs
as relates to the line of Tudor Street, reported that the line has
been given and that so much of said petition as relates to
the grade of said street be referred to the Committee on Pav-
ing. Read, accepted and referred accordingly.

The Committee on Lamps, Bells Boston
and blocks, to whom was referred the order directing said Com- Gas Light
mittee to negotiate with the Boston Gas Light Company for a Company
contract to supply the City with gas, at a price not to exceed
six per cent on the minimum cost, would respectfully Report, that
the Boston Gas Light Company decline to enter upon a negotia-
tion on the terms proposed in said order. Your Committee here-
with present a communication received from the said Gas Com-
pany, and ask to be relieved from any further action in the
matter. For the Committee, S. A. Denio, Chairman. Read & accepted.

Ordered: That the Superintendent Charles
of Streets be and he is hereby directed to notify the heirs of
Bond

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George Parkman, the Trustees of the Massachusetts General Hospital, and the heirs of Sumner Huster to erect fences upon the lines of their estates on the westerly side of Charles Street in accordance with the provisions of Sec 9. of the Ordinance in relation to Streets passed April 28. 1863.

Horse
Railroad
Rules

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to enforce the second section of the rules and regulations of the Board of Aldermen concerning Horse Railroads so that the speed at which the cars are drawn through Charlestown Street and Haymarket Square shall not exceed five miles per hour.

Weights &
Measures
Assessors

On nomination by John D. Leachman and Charles J. R. Hutton, Assessors of Weights and Measures, Daniel Hunt and Francis A. Bauman were confirmed as assistants to their respective principals.

Jail

Whereas it appears to this Board that Joseph Smith an inmate of the Suffolk County Jail is afflicted with an infectious disease which is dangerous to the other inmates of said jail it is hereby Ordered: That the Sheriff of this County cause said Smith to be removed to Deer Island there to be kept in proper custody until said disorder is cured or removed.

Dove

Street

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a sewer in Dove Street, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers.

Eighth

Street

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a sewer in Eighth Street, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers.

On the petition of Nathan 179

Matthews for the line of Richmond Street adjoining his estate, the April 25 1864
Committee on Streets reported that the line has been given by the Matthews
City Engineer and that no further action is necessary. Read and Richmond
Accepted.

Henry Emerson was appointed by the Board a Weigher of Coal in this City.

Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Licenses the following persons were licensed as Dealers in Second Hand Articles - Thomas D. Galvin 33 Eliot Street - Patrick Ballou 279 Commercial Street - Augusta Wolf 370 Hanover Street.

On petition of Evelyn B. Rumson for leave to deal in Second Hand Articles at 3 Dorchester Avenue, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Lewis Knapp was licensed as a Pawnbroker at 96 Merrimac Street.

On petition of J. L. Wheeler and others for the removal of obstruction from Murray Court, the Committee on Paving reported that as Murray Court is a private way this Board has no jurisdiction in the matter. Read and accepted.

On petition of F. C. Warren to be compensated for damage done to his estate by the removal of the Charles Street bridge, the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

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Hanover
Street.

Davis

Blake

Pearson

Resolved, That the safety and

convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Hanover Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take and lay out as a public street or way of the said City a parcel of land belonging to Mr. Caroline E. Davis bounded as follows viz: Northwestwardly by the proposed line of widening of said street three measuring hundred feet and $\frac{1}{2}$; Southwestwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from John G. Blake eight feet and $\frac{3}{4}$; Southwardly by the present line of said street twenty one feet and $\frac{83}{100}$; and Northeastwardly by a common passageway ten feet and $\frac{7}{10}$ containing two hundred and one square feet and $\frac{42}{100}$ more or less.

Take a parcel of land belonging to John G. Blake bounded as follows viz: Northwestwardly by the proposed line of widening of said street three measuring hundred feet and $\frac{52}{100}$; Southwestwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from David Pearson four feet and $\frac{8}{10}$; Southwardly by the present line of said street twenty feet and $\frac{1}{2}$; and Northeastwardly by land above described as taken from Mrs. Caroline E. Davis eight feet and $\frac{23}{100}$ containing one hundred and thirty eight square feet and $\frac{51}{100}$ more or less. Also a parcel of land belonging to David Pearson bounded as follows viz: Northwestwardly by the proposed line of widening of said street three measuring hundred feet and $\frac{42}{100}$; Southwestwardly by land formerly taken from George C. Shattuck to widen said street three feet and $\frac{45}{100}$; Southeastwardly by the present line of said street twenty feet and $\frac{7}{10}$; and Northeastwardly by land above described as taken from John G. Blake four feet and $\frac{7}{10}$; containing ninety one square feet and $\frac{58}{100}$ more or less. And Whereas due notice has been given of the

intention of this Board to take the said parcels of land for the 181.
purpose aforesaid as appears by the return hereunto annexed April 25/1864
It is therefore Ordered that the parcels of land here described
be and the same hereby are taken and laid out as a public
street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said
widening made by V. Henry Craft City Engineer, dated April 25th
1864 and deposited in the Office of the said Board of Aldermen.
and that said Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the
said Hanover Street, as aforesaid, will amount to twelve thous-
and dollars; which sum, together with the amount of estimates
of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during
the present municipal year, does exceed the sum of five thousand
dollars Read once.

The Joint Special Committee on Salaries
on Salaries, who were instructed to consider and report a
Salary Bill for the current year, and also to consider and re-
port on the expediency of increasing the salaries from January
1/1864 by Law to Report. That in their opinion it would be in-
expedient to date back the increase of salaries to the first of Jan-
uary; and they recommend the passage of the accompany-
ing order establishing the salaries of the officers of the City of
Boston and the County of Suffolk for the year beginning April 1
1864 to the Committee. L. Miles Standish, Chairman. An Order es-
tablishing the Salaries of the Officers of the City of Boston, and
the County of Suffolk for the year 1864-65. Ordered: By the Board
of Aldermen and Common Council of the City of Boston, in
City Council assembled as aforesaid: The salaries of the several
City and County Officers for the year beginning on the first day
of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four. March

182. be as herein mentioned, to be paid quarter-yearly, unless here-
after ~~in otherwise ordered~~. Section 1. The salary of the Mayor shall
be as fixed by the Convention of the City Council, on the 12th
day of November, 1857, viz: at the rate of four thousand dol-
lars per annum, commencing with the first Monday of Janu-
ry. The salary of the Mayor's Clerk shall be at the rate of One
thousand two hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 2. The salary of
the City Treasurer shall be at the rate of three thousand sev-
en hundred and fifty dollars per annum, for performing the
duties of City and County Treasurer and collector; and there
shall be allowed him the sum of Seven thousand three hun-
dred dollars per annum, to be paid his clerks; and he shall
account for all fees, moneys, and commissions which he shall
receive in said capacity. Sect. 3. The salary of the City En-
gineer shall be at the rate of ten thousand six hundred
dollars per annum: The salary of the Assistant Engineer
shall be at the rate of Fifteen hundred dollars per annum,
both to be in full for all their time and services. Sect. 4. The sal-
ary of the City Solicitor shall be at the rate of four thous-
and ^B five hundred dollars, per annum, it being understood
that he shall, out of the said salary, retain all counsel
necessary for the professional service of the City to which he
~~cannot give his personal attention unless~~ otherwise ordered
by the Committee on Claims. He shall be allowed, for clerk hire
and his office expenses, the sum of Twelve hundred dollars
per annum. Sect. 5. The salary of the Auditor of Accounts shall
be at the rate of Three thousand dollars per annum; and
he shall be allowed for clerk hire the sum of Three thous-
and ^C one hundred and fifty dollars per annum, that is to

say, to be paid as follows: Fourteen hundred dollars to each of 183
his senior clerk, and three hundred and fifty dollars to his ^D junior clerk, and he shall account for all sums of money
received by him in said capacity. Sect. 6. The salary of the
City Clerk shall be at the rate of Three thousand dollars
per annum; and he shall be allowed the further sum of Three
thousand one hundred dollars, to be paid to his assistant clerk,
one of whom shall be required to prepare the annual voting
list, and he shall account for all fees for recording mortgages
of personal property, and for all other sums of money received
in his official capacity. Sect. 7. The salary of the clerk of the Com-
mon Council shall be at the rate of fourteen hundred dollars
per annum. He shall be allowed for clerk hire three hundred
dollars per annum. Sect. 8. There shall be paid to a clerk who shall
act as Secretary to any Joint Standing or Special Committees of
the City Council, when requested to do so, and perform such cleri-
cal duties as may be required of him by the Mayor, Aldermen,
or Common Councilmen, a salary at the rate of seven hundred
dollars per annum. Sect. 9. The salary of the City Registrar
shall be at the rate of sixteen hundred dollars per annum,
and he shall be allowed one thousand dollars per an-
num to be paid his principal clerk and one hundred and
fifty dollars per annum for an assistant clerk; and he shall
account to the City for all fees for entering and publishing inten-
tions of marriage, and for interments of the dead; and for his As-
sistant Registrar he shall be paid a sum not exceeding fifteen
cents for information furnished concerning each birth. Sect. 10. The
salary of the Vital Registrar shall be at the rate of ^E seventeen
hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 11. The salary of the Factor, the

184. ^{ter} shall be at the rate of thirteen hundred dollars per an-
April 25, 1864. ~~ann. Sect. 12.~~ The ~~rate~~ ^{of} the ~~situation~~ ^{of} the ~~Public Library~~
shall be at the rate of fifteen hundred ^F dollars per annum.
Sect. 13. The salary of the City Physician shall be at the rate
of fifteen hundred dollars per annum, which sum shall in-
clude compensation for furnishing certificates to disabled soldiers.
Sect. 14. The salary of the Port Physician shall be at the rate
of two hundred dollars per annum; and he shall pay over
to the City Treasurer all fees received by him in his official ca-
pacity. Sect. 15. The salary of the Messenger of the City Council
shall be at the rate of fifteen hundred ^G dollars per annum.
The salary of the Assistant Messenger shall be at the rate of
three hundred and fifty dollars per annum. Sect. 16. There shall
be paid to a Porter, whose duty it shall be to make all the fires,
and do all the cleaning necessary in the City Government Rooms,
in Mechanics Building, the sum of one thousand dollars per an-
num; and there shall be paid to a Porter, whose duty it shall
be to make all the fires and do all the cleaning necessary in
the offices occupied by other departments of the City Govern-
ment, (not including those in Niles Block,) eight hundred
dollars per annum; and there shall be paid to a Porter, whose
duty it shall be to make all the fires and do all the clean-
ing necessary in the City Building (so called) the sum of two
hundred dollars per annum; the whole to be done to the satisfac-
tion of the Superintendent of Public Buildings. Sect. 17. The sala-
ry of each Keeper of Weights and Measures shall be at the rate
of thirteen hundred dollars per annum, and he shall be
allowed the further sum of five hundred dollars for the ser-
vices of an assistant, and two hundred dollars for transporta-

tion of standards, unless provision therefor is otherwise made by 185.
the Internal Health Department. Sec. 18. The salary of the Chief of Police shall be at the rate of two thousand five hundred dollars per annum; and he shall be allowed the use of a horse and carriage at the city expense. The salary of the Deputy shall be at the rate of one thousand five hundred and fifty dollars per annum. The salary of the Clerk of the Police Department shall be at the rate of one thousand dollars per annum, payable monthly. The salary of the Captains of Police shall be at the rate of three dollars and twenty-five cents per day, payable monthly. The salary of the Lieutenants of Police shall be at the rate of two dollars and seventy-five cents per day payable monthly. The salary of the Sergeants of Police shall be at the rate of two dollars and fifty cents per day, payable monthly. The salary of the Officers of the Detective Force shall be two dollars and seventy-five cents per day, payable monthly. The salary of the officers of the lock-ups under the Court House shall be at the rate of two dollars and fifty cents per day, payable monthly. The salary of the Superintendent of Trucks and Carriages shall be at the rate of two dollars and seventy-five cents per day, payable monthly. The salary of the Superintendent of Trucks and Wagons shall be at the rate of two dollars and seventy-five cents per day for each and every day that he is employed, payable monthly. The salary of the Superintendent of Firetrucks shall be at the rate of two dollars and twenty-five cents per day for each and every day that he is employed payable monthly. The salary of the Day and Night Officers shall be at the rate of two dollars and twenty-five cents per day, payable monthly. Sec. 19. The salary of each of the officers appointed by the Mayor and

186. Aldermen to take charge of Juant and Vagrant Children,
April 25. 1864. shall be at the rate of one thousand dollars per annum, to be
paid monthly. In account of all fees received by the officers
mentioned in the and the preceding section, for attendance
at trials and other service, except as provided in the City
Ordinance, or in the Police Rules and Regulations, shall be
returned by the officer receiving the same to the City Treasur-
er, who shall deduct the amount thereof from their salaries
aforesaid, before paying the same. Sect. 20. The salary of the
Superintendent of the Public Library shall be at the rate of
two thousand dollars per annum. Sect. 21. The salary of the
Superintendent of Common Sewers shall be at the rate of ^H fif-
teen hundred dollars per annum; and he shall act as Sec-
retary to the Committee on Sewers and Drains; and he shall
be allowed to hire, at the expense of the City, a horse and
chaise, provided the bills for the same be approved by the
Chairman of the Committee on Sewers and Drains; but the
amount shall not exceed two hundred dollars per annum.
Sect. 22. The salary of the Superintendent of Streets shall be
at the rate of twenty one hundred dollars per annum, and
he shall act as Secretary to the Committee on Paving; and
the Committee on Paving shall have the power to furnish him
with a horse and chaise, at the expense of the City, and have
the same kept at the City Stables, for which they shall ap-
prove the bills. Sect. 23. The salary of the Superintendent of Pub-
lic Buildings shall be at the rate of fifteen hundred dol-
lars per annum; and he shall act as Secretary to the Commit-
tee on Public Buildings; and he shall be allowed to hire at
the expense of the City, a horse and chaise, provided he first

for the same be approved by the Committee on Public Buil^d 187
ing, but the amount shall not exceed two hundred dollars. ¹⁸⁶¹ Jan. 23, 1861.
per annum. Sect. 24. The salary of the Superintendent of Pub-
lic Lands shall be at the rate of fifteen hundred dollars per
annum; and he shall act as Secretary to the Committee on
Public Lands. Sect. 25. The salary of the Superintendent of
Health shall be at the rate of nineteen hundred dollars per
annum. And the Committee on Internal Health shall have
the power to furnish him with a horse and chaise at the ex-
pense of the City, and have the same kept at the City Stables.
The salary of his Assistant shall be at the rate of twelve
hundred dollars per annum; and he shall account for all
sums of money received by him as fees, in connection with
his office. And he shall also act as Secretary to the Committee
on Internal Health. Sect. 26. The salary of the Superintendent
of Faneuil Hall Market shall be at the rate of eighteen hun-
dred dollars per annum, and he shall account for all
sums of money received by him in his official capacity. The
salary of the Deputy Superintendent shall be at the rate
of one thousand ^K dollars per annum. Sect. 27. The salary of
the Superintendent of Faneuil Hall shall be at the rate of
three hundred dollars per annum. He shall account for and
pay over all sums of money received by him for the City in
his official capacity. Sect. 28. The salary of the Superinten-
dent of Lamps shall be at the rate of one thousand dollars
per annum; and he shall be allowed the sum of two hun-
dred dollars per annum, to be paid a clerk, which sum shall
be in full for any services he may render for the delivery of
oil in that department. Sect. 29. The salary of the Superintend

188. ent of the Mount Washington Avenue Bridge shall be at the
April 25. 1864. rate of fifteen hundred dollars per annum, which salary shall
be in full for his services, and for all and any assistance he
may employ. Sect. 29. The salary of the Superintendent of the
Belmont Street Bridge shall be at the rate of fifteen hundred
dollars per annum, and he shall be allowed the use
of the shop on said bridge, rent free, and a horse at the city's
expense, for the purpose of opening and closing the draw. The
said compensation and privilege to be in full for his services
and the services of such assistants as he may employ. Sect. 31.
The salary of the Superintendent of the Dover Street Bridge
shall be at the rate of seven hundred dollars per annum,
and he shall be allowed the use of the house on said bridge,
rent free, the said compensation and privilege to be in full for
services of himself and assistants. Sect. 32. The salary of the
Superintendent of the Meridian Street Bridge shall be at the
rate of five ^{hundred} dollars per annum, the same to be in
full for his services and the services of such assistants as he
may employ. Sect. 33. The salary of the Superintendent of the
Chelsea Street Bridge shall be at the rate of two hundred and
fifty dollars per annum, the same to be in full for his services
and the services of such assistants as he may employ. Sect. 34.
The salary of the Superintendent of the North Street shall be at
the rate of fourteen hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 35. The
salary of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department shall be
at the rate of fifteen hundred dollars per annum; that of the
Assistant Engineer shall be at the rate of three hundred and
fifty dollars each per annum; that of the Secretary of the Board
of Engineers shall be at the rate of eight ^{N.} hundred dollars

per annum, which sum shall be in full payment for 189.
all the service which may be required of him by the April 25 1899
Mayor and Aldermen, the Chief Engineer, and the Board
of Engineers. The Foremen of the respective Hook and Ladder
Companies shall be paid at the rate of one hundred and
seventy five dollars each per annum. The Assistant Fore-
men, Clerks, Rankmen, and Axemen shall be paid at the rate
of one hundred and fifty dollars each per annum. The Stew-
ards to Hook and Ladder Companies N^o 1 and N^o 2, shall be paid
at the rate of one hundred and fifty dollars each per an-
num. All other members of said Companies shall be paid at
the rate of one hundred and twenty-five dollars each per an-
num. The men employed upon the Steam Fire Engines shall be
paid at the following rates: Enginemen, Seventy dollars per
month. Firemen, sixty dollars per month, and Drivers fifty-five
dollars per month. Foremen of the Hook and Ladder Companies
shall be paid at the following rates: Drivers, fifty-five dollars
per month. Foremen, one hundred and seventy-five dollars
per annum. Hosemen, one hundred and fifty dollars per an-
num. The Foreman and Steward of Hand Hose Company N^o 10,
shall receive the sum of fifty dollars each per annum, and
the Hosemen the sum of thirty dollars each annually. Sec. 36.
The salary of the Superintendent of the Boston Lunatic Hospi-
tal shall be at the rate of Eighteen hundred dollars per
annum; and he shall be allowed sufficient house-room,
free of rent, and board for himself and his family in said
Hospital, which compensation and privileges shall be in full

190 for his services as Superintendent of said Hospital and also
April 25 1864 as Physician to all the Public Institutions at South Boston.
Sect. 37. The salary of the Master of the House of Correction
shall be at the rate of fifteen hundred dollars per annum,
and he shall be allowed sufficient house-room in said
building, free of rent, and board for himself and his family,
but no other fees or perquisites shall be allowed him. Sect. 38.
The salary of the Superintendent of the City Hospital shall
be at the rate of fifteen hundred dollars per annum, and the
Trustees shall allow him what, in their opinion, shall be suf-
ficient house-room in said building, free of rent, and board
for himself and family; but no other fees or perquisites shall be
allowed him. Sect. 39. The salary of each of the Principal As-
sessor^Rs shall be at the rate of fifteen hundred dollars per
annum, including the allowance provided for by the General
Statutes of the Commonwealth, and there shall be allowed
this Department the further sum of six thousand dollars,
to be paid for Clerk hire. The Assistant Assessors shall be allowed
three dollars for each and every day which they shall
severally devote to the service, but no pay shall be allowed
for revising assessments beyond an actual service of five
days. The salary of the Per Lim. Assessors shall be at
the rate of five ^Sdollars for each and every day which they
shall severally devote to the service on street duty; but
no pay shall be allowed for revising assessments beyond
an actual service of five days. The number of said days
service of the Assistant Assessors and Per Lim. Assessors shall
be certified according to the Ordinance Sect. 40. The Auditor
of the Justice of the Peace Court and of the Assistant Clerk of

the Supreme Judicial Court and of the Assistant Clerk of the 191
Superior Court for civil business shall be as follows: To the April 22, 1864
Justices of the Police Court one hundred and fifty dollars
each for services under the 111th and 112th Chapters of the General
Statutes, or which may be imposed upon them under Chapter
207, Statutes of 1862. To the Justices of the Police Court for all ser-
vices under the 180th Chapter of the General Statutes, in discharg-
ing poor prisoners held for fines and costs, five dollars per week
each while actually attending to that duty, they to provide all
clerical labor required therefor. To the Assistant Clerk of the Su-
preme Judicial Court, fifteen hundred dollars per annum. To
the Assistant Clerk of the Superior Court for civil business, eight
hundred dollars per annum. The salaries of the Constables
of the Police Court shall be as established by the Statutes of
1862, Chapter 216, viz: fifteen hundred dollars per annum. Ordered:
That whenever any person in the employ of the City shall de-
mand payment for his salary, or any part thereof, it shall be
the duty of the Auditor and City Treasurer to deduct therefrom
any and all sums due from such officer to the City. Read
once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on
Thursday the twenty-eighth day of April, Anno Domini 1864
Present

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Mes-

192. Singer, Standish, Warren, Sprague, and Stevens.

Jurors.

Eight traverse Jurors were drawn for the Superior (Civil) Court.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

A meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on Monday the Second day of May, Anno Domini, 1864

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Dana.

Reed

Petition of John Reed and William Wetland to be compensated for land taken to widen Beacon Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Winslow

Petition of Charles Winslow for leave to move a wooden building from Cross Street across the Suffolk Railroad tracks in North Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power.

Parks

Petition of Luther Parks, Jr & others that the grade of Newland Street be given to them as they intend to lay their sidewalk. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

James

Petition of Benjamin James and others that the edgestones and sidewalks around Thomas Park may be laid. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Peter L. Morton for 193.

leave to remove a building from South Street through said street May 2. 1864
across Front Street and Third Street to Second Street. Referred to Morton
the Committee on Streets with full power

No person appearing to object Barrett
to the proposed widening of South Street by taking land of
Mrs. Elisha Hathaway's heirs; said subject was recommitted to
the Committee on Streets.

On nomination by the Mayor, Police
Romango N. Wilkins was appointed and confirmed as Lieu-
tenant of Police. William A. Ham, Sergeant and Richardson A.
Jewsbury, Sergeant.

The City Registrar submitted City
his detailed Annual report of the Births, Marriages and Deaths Registrar.
in the City for 1863. Said on the late and five hundred copies. Ann. Report
ordered to be printed.

Petition of the Sheriff of Suffolk Jail
County that the Jail Yard may be enlarged by enclosing a
portion of the City's land adjacent thereto. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Public Lands. Sent down for concurrence. May 5. Came
up concurred.

Petition of Tuttle, Howe & Co to be Tuttle
heard in relation to their petition for damages for delay under
their contract for work on the City Hospital. Referred in Common
Council to the Committee on Claims. Came up for concurrence
and concurred.

Petition of the Charles Street Bap- Charles Street
tist Church to be compensated for damages done to their church Bap. Church

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May 2, 1864. and Organ in consequence of water thrown by a Steam
Fire Engine. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for
concurrence. May 5 came up concurred.

French

Petition of Warren French for use
of a room in the Old Franklin School House to be used as an
armory for a battery of Light Artillery. Referred to the Committee
on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. May 5. came
up concurred.

Peak

Petition of John Peak for leave to
remove the wall of the Engine House in rear of the Friend Street,
where he is about to rebuild. Referred to the Committee on Public
Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. May 5. came up concurred.

City

Clerk

The City Clerk reported that he
had received during the last quarter (exclusive of Dog Li-
cense fees) the sum of one hundred and eighty five dollars
and seventy cents, all of which was paid to City Treasurer.
Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Hayweigher

The Hayweigher at the North
Station reported, that during the last quarter he had received
the sum of nine hundred and ten dollars and sixty
five cents. fifty percent of which, as expenses, he had paid to
the Society for Adult Evening Schools. Read and sent down.
In Common Council. Placed on file.

City

Registrar

The City Registrar reported
that during the quarter ending April 30th he had received
as fees and paid to the City Treasurer the sum of three hun-

and thirty eight dollars and fifty cents. Read and
sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file. 195
May 2, 1864.

The resolve and order submit- Hanover
ted to the Board on the twenty fifth ultimo to widen Summer
Street by taking land of Caroline E. Davis, John A. Blake and
David Sears, at a cost of twelve thousand dollars, were read
a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. May
26. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 27, 1864.

The Common Council having Assistant
elected Dewitt C. Butler as an Assistant Assessor for Ward 3, in
place of Abram J. English resigned, said action came up for
concurrence, and the ballots having been taken and counted
for said Assessor, it appeared that said Butler was chosen in
concurrence.

The Board of Land Commis- New
sioners to whom were referred the papers relative to the loca-
tion of the new Jail House, together with the report of the
Committee on Public Buildings upon the same, have consid-
ered the subject and would Report: That the location for a
new Jail House as selected by the Committee on Public Build-
ings, and shown upon a plan drawn by the City Engineer meets
the approval of this Board, and they recommend that it be
accepted. The lot bounded by Albany Street, seventy four feet
with a depth of eighty feet to continue in charge of the Commit-
tee on Public Land. To the commission, E. H. Hanger, Chairman.
Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. May 5. Came up
concurred.

Nov 2. 1864.
Fourth Street
Bapt. Society.

The Board of Land Commissioners to whom was referred the petition of the Fourth Street Baptist Society for a release of the conditions placed on the land purchased of the City in 1854, having fully considered the same would report: that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Commissioners, G. W. Messinger, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. May 5. Came up concurred.

Rodolph

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Frederick Rodolph, to be compensated for injury to his business caused by the "Birchbark House Fire," have considered the same, and respectfully recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee C. H. Scripps, chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. May 5. Came up concurred.

Newcomb

The Board of Land Commissioners to whom was referred the petition of T. B. and C. F. Newcomb that a street may be laid out in extension of Prescott Place, having fully considered the subject would report: that the prayer of the petitioners be granted upon condition that they will give to the City a deed made satisfactory to the City Collector of all the land required for said street, to fill up the same to a grade to be established by the Board of Aldermen, also that the sewer to be laid therein, shall be under the direction of the Superintendent of Sewers. For the Commissioners, G. W. Messinger, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. May 5. Came up concurred.

to whom was referred the petition of the Metropolitan
 Railroad Company and of the Boston Gas Light Company for
 the release of certain conditions placed on the land situated on
 Tremont and Camden Streets, having fully considered the

same, would Report: That the deed given by the City to the
 Metropolitan Railroad Company Feb. 10th 1863 contained the follow-
 ing conditions, viz: That no building which shall be erect-
 ed on the land hereby granted within one hundred feet
 of Tremont Street after January 1st 1864, should have exterior
 walls of any other material than brick, stone or iron. The Gas
 Light Company having arranged to purchase of the Rail-
 road Company the land that is not so restricted, find
 that a breach by any owner on Tremont Street, would work
 a forfeiture of the entire lot as deeded by the City, asked to
 be released from the effect of said condition. The Board
 being satisfied that the request of said Company should
 be granted would recommend the passage of the accompa-
 nying order. For the Commissioner, G. W. Hisinger, Chairman.

Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor be and he is hereby
 authorized to execute a deed made satisfactory to the City
 Solicitor, releasing so much of the land described in a deed
 given by the City to the Metropolitan Railroad Company Feb-
 ruary 10, 1863 as lies northwest of a line one hundred feet dis-
 tant northwesterly from Tremont Street. Read twice and passed
 Sent down for concurrence. May 5. Came up concurred. Approved
 by the Mayor, May 6, 1864

Ordered: That the Committee on Weights
 Ordinances consider and report if any and what changes & alterations

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198 are necessary in the form of table provided for in Section
May 2. 1864 Three of the Ordinances relating to the Police of Night and
Mourning, passed in Common Council, came up for concurren-
ce. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor May 6
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Bills

Ordered: That the following bills
for services rendered or materials furnished by persons connect-
ed directly or indirectly with the City Government be paid
provided they are approved and allowed in the usual man-
ner. Charles J. McCarthy, one hundred and eighty three dollars;
Eaton, Cummings & Co nine hundred and eighty two dollars
and forty six cents; Louis Pic three hundred and thirty two
dollars. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence.
May 5. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor May 6. 1864.

Land

The Common Council having
considered its vote of concurrence of the 21st of April on the pas-
sage of the Ordinance relating to Public Land, whereby the
Board of Land Commissioners is abolished, said Council
passed said Ordinance in concurrence, with the following a-
mendment, viz: In the title of the Ordinance strike out the
words "In addition to an Ordinance". Strike out "Section 1. The
ordinance concerning the Public Land" is hereby amended to
read as follows: "Strike out the whole of Section 17. down to the
word 'but' and insert as follows, All ordinances and parts
of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed." Came
up for concurrence. Read and this Board concurred therein.
Approved by the Mayor May 3. 1864.

to whom were referred the Reports of the Inspector of Prisons for the County of Suffolk, being City Documents No. 7 and 98 of the year 1864, and who were appointed to investigate the alleged abuses at the City Institution contained in said Report, having attended to the duty assigned them, do hereby Report that, in view of the importance of the subject, charges having been made whereby not only the officers of the Institution stand implicated before the community, and the integrity of the Board of Directors is implicated, but which, if true, would be detrimental to the honor and reputation of the City of Boston the Committee have endeavored to make as thorough an investigation as possible for the information of the City Council. They have therefore examined, separately and under oath, various witnesses connected with the Institution, with the condition, which was strictly observed, that no member of the Board of Directors should be present at said examination. For special reasons the Committee requested the members of the Board of Inspectors to appear separately before them, and the Senior Justice of the Police Court did appear and was informed, after certain objections on his part, that no oath would be required of the Inspectors to any statement they might make before the Committee although the Committee deemed it desirable that whatever evidence they might give or explanation they might make should be under oath. His Honor declined to authorize a statement of the precise tenor of his objections until he had consulted with his colleagues, the other members of the Board, when a written communication would be sent to this Committee of the result of their consultation. The full Board of Inspectors also appeared and notified

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200 the Chairman that they were willing to appear as a board at
May 2, 1864 a public examination, but they declined, as before, to be exam-
ined separately or privately. A Committee of the Board of Direc-
tors appeared by request of the Chairman, consisting of Moses
Kimball, President, J. Putnam Buddie, and William Eaton, Direc-
tors who were sworn and examined separately. Other persons also
were sworn and examined; four of them in response to a pub-
lished notice, that any one having information or complaints
as to their abuse, could appear before the Committee. As the charges
made by these persons (all of which were against one insti-
tution, the House of Correction,) were mainly of matters beyond
the scope of this investigation, they will not be considered in
this Report, but will properly be subject of reference to the Com-
mittee on Institutions, of the City Council. The Committee will
now state the charges in the Report of the Inspectors of Prison,
said charges being more especially made against the House
of Correction and the House of Reformation; and they will
first give the results of their examinations as to the alleged
abuses at the House of Correction. First Complaint "The excessive
use of brown bread and mush, or hasty pudding; - that it has
an injurious effect on the constitution, very unpleasant and
weakening; - to some 'very repulsive; -' this part of the prison
ration is so distasteful and disagreeable to some of the pris-
oners, that they habitually go without food at the meal when
it is served, preferring hunger rather than subject themselves
to the unkindly effects of its use; and the Inspectors go on to
say that its use "cannot be continued for any reason of be-
nevolence, humanity, or hygiene; - that the Officers have no
right to continue it as a means of punishment, or a part

of the discipline of the prison, and the inspectors respectfully suggest that changes in the old bill of the prison "should be made at once" to prevent further complaint. Second complaint. Insufficiency of rations,—"complaints we have heard at successive visitations, and have made them known to the officers of the prison; and yet, at the present inspection, just one third of the male prisoners and many of the females, complained to us that it was impossible for them to obtain food enough to satisfy the natural cravings of hunger; it appeared that requests for more food had been repeated again and again without avail." The inspectors also had conversations with the Master, and give his answers to certain inquiries, and they then state that in no other prison in Suffolk County do we ever hear of begging for food. Third complaint. Excessive punishment, undue severity, harsh manner of officials. The Inspectors draw a comparison between the number of punishments at the State Prison and this Institution, and present statistics to show that the House of Correction appears to a great disadvantage, especially as the convicts at the State Prison are more hardened and desperate, and as the sentences are longer, there is more disposition to rebel, and because, in this Institution, about half the convicts are females, presumed to be more tractable, "more susceptible of government by milder and suasive means." They also complain of the severity and curtness of manner, "a restiveness under petition, a repressiveness in reply," on the part of the officers toward the prisoners, which appears to be carried farther than ever before and to have a bad effect so far as reformation is concerned. They make a statement to show that the punishments in the House of Cor-

262. rection with an average of 250 prisoners, were in number 188 on May 2, 1864. 111 individuals, while in the State Prison, with an average of 438 convicts, the whole number of punishments were 182 on 99 pages. The pages of their report are given to this subject. From a summary of the evidence in regard to the accusations made by the Inspectors, it will be seen that nothing appears to justify them. The Committee are inclined to dismiss the matter of 'brown bread rations' with few comments. They are at a loss to perceive any ground for the repeated attacks upon this portion of the prison diet. It is invariably sweet, well-cooked, and wholesome, and is not supplied ad nauseam, as the Inspectors charge. The Inspectors also say that in this Institution, and this only, they hear of prisoners who do not get enough to eat, 'prisoners begging for bread.' In an institution of this kind the ration is, and of necessity must be, a fixed quantity. It would be impossible for the officer having charge of the distribution of the food to measure, as does the head of a family, the appetite of each person he serves. The 'ration' is large, often too large. It may be sometimes too light. A prisoner who is in good health, and has worked faithfully, may feel that he could eat an extra slice of bread. (A 'slice' is about half the size of an ordinary five-cent loaf.) And if his behavior merits it - so says Captain Robbins - he always gets it upon asking. This, the Committee believe, is the true state of the case. The full health and fine physical condition of the prisoners is a sufficient refutation of this charge. The charges of cruelty and harshness are conveyed by implication, and not in direct terms. A comparison with the State Prison is instituted, by which it is made to appear that in proportion to the number of inmates more punishments are

inflicted at the House of Correction than at the State Prison. The
libular Statement which has been furnished to us, viz. *May 2, 1864*
(*dis G*) puts the matter in an entirely different light, and af-
fords a new illustration of the fact, not that "figures won't lie," but
that they may be made to sustain in the most plausible man-
ner, an untrue theory. We believe this "Statement" comes much near-
er the truth than that elaborated by the Inspector; and we are con-
vinced that their theory of the superior tractability of short-
sentenced prisoners and females is entirely erroneous. This is a
matter of practice as well as theory, and our belief is that prison-
ers sentenced for a long term, as at the State Prison, having the
incentive to good behavior of a promised reduction of their term,
are more apt to be obedient and tractable than those who (at
the House of Correction) are confined for shorter periods, and are
more reckless of punishment, and more troublesome in every way.
That women are more difficult to control than men, is the univers-
al testimony of all who have an opportunity of testing their com-
parative docility under restraint. If they could have their own
way, as to what they should eat and wear, when and how they
should work, on what sort of beds they should sleep, doubtless they
would be content with their lot, and the Inspectors would hear less
complaints. But this Institution is not an hotel; it is a penal in-
stitution, where persons convicted of crime are to be confined for
such time as the law deems reasonable, and meanwhile they are
to be cared for, fed, clothed, and governed. The interests of hu-
manity require that while their habiliments and their food
must be simple, yet that no physical want shall go unsupplied,
and that they shall be treated with kindness and consideration,
until they forfeit these by some misdemeanor, when their pun-

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cruel. From all the information we have been able to obtain,
the Master of the House of Correction has been and is actuated
by these principles. For thirty-nine years he has been in that
Institution. Experience he certainly has; and we have yet
to hear of any inmate of the Institution, out of all the thous-
ands who have been imprisoned under him, who, after dis-
charge, has accused him personally of using his position in any
way to oppress or injure any prisoner under his charge. To con-
trol some hundreds of men and women, incarcerated for crime,
often for violent crime, is no easy task. It requires not only
the care of the head of the Institution, but of many subordi-
nates. It has happened and may happen again, here, or in
any other good institution, that a subordinate officer has been
unable to control his temper, and has used harsh and im-
proper means to reduce prisoners to subjection. Whenever it has
become known that a person so unfitted for his place has commit-
ted any such excess, he has been promptly discharged. All the
evidence we have been able to obtain concurs in attributing
to Captain Robbins kindness of heart and a just disposition,
which he daily manifests; while at the same time he admin-
isters a strict and effective discipline. House of Reformation.
The report of the Inspectors of Prisons of a visit to this institu-
tion on the ninth day of January, 1863, was received by the
Board of Aldermen on the twenty-seventh day of July follow-
ing. The Inspectors state, they "examined each boy separately and
apart from the officers of the institution, and from each other.
Many complaints were made, mostly against brown or Indian
tears. They object to the present system, by which the boys do

not have a proper education; and they say a boy sentenced 265
for six months may serve out his sentence without a day's May 2, 1862
schooling, and in the place of schooling he is worked like a
prisoner, fed like a prisoner, and governed like a prisoner,
with associates no better than himself, and all treated the same
way. Objections are also made to the management and dis-
cipline; they say the schools were not what they have been on
former examinations, less interest being manifested by both the
boys and girls. Three specific complaints of a serious nature,
in regard to the treatment of the boys, are then stated. The
first of these, regarding injuries to a boy named McLean, we
shall make allusion at another stage of the Report. The sec-
ond complaint was that a boy named James Jones, was ordered to
to work a window in the fourth story of the building, on the
first of April, 1862, that he was doing it without a jack, and
on reaching over, fell to the ground below. His injuries were
the breaking of both wrists, his right hip, and ribs on the right
side, and shattering his right elbow; he was four months in
the Hospital, and is injured for life, his right elbow being en-
tirely useless, rendering the whole arm nearly so. The third
complaint was that the death of Patrick Conners, on the first
day of August 1862, which was caused by the undermining
a bank of earth at the base of which he was at work, and was
attributed to carelessness on the part of the officers. The bank
fell upon him and he was instantly killed. No inquest was
held on his body. The inspectors submit, that in no case should
these children be employed, compelled, or allowed to perform any
labor where life or limb is in danger; nor should the officers
be allowed to handle them rudely, or throwing them down or

206 injuring them. They say that the report of these three cases
May 2, 1863 would not have been delayed had the Inspectors been inform-
ed of them by the Superintendent, or officers from whom or whose
records they should have had full information; but they had
to receive it from other sources, by way of complaints, and they
were induced into a more reliable statement were obtain-
ed. The next Report of the Inspectors was of a visit on the thir-
ty-first day of July. This was received by the Board of Alder-
men November twenty-third, 1863, laid on the table and order-
ed to be printed; but, before it was seen by the Aldermen, it
was obtained by a reporter and published in the newspapers.

***** The Special complaint in this Report, is the severe pun-
ishment of a girl seventeen years of age, by whipping, said to
have been a troublesome girl, charged with open and direct dis-
obedience of orders and insolence of language. She frankly
admitted the offence, and for it was punished by the Super-
intendent in person, with a rattan half an inch diameter and
twenty inches long, upon the shoulders and back of the neck, - the
number of blows no one can report. The girl was then commit-
ted to a solitary cell, where the Inspectors found her on the 31st
July, with "blue-black spots on the shoulder as large as the palm
of the hand, and evident traces of blows upon her back." They
say, "there were unmistakable evidences that her feelings were
quick to respond to appeals of leniency and good will as no
doubt they are quick in passion." On the fifth of August she
was again visited in the solitary cell, it being the seventh
day of her incarceration; her shoulders were still discolored.
She had been visited daily by the Matron with food, and by
the physicians; but "had not been spoken to by any officer

about her misconduct, her penitence, her resolves or purposes, 207
or about anything connected with her imprisonment and May 2. 1864
to this extent her statements were not denied. A statement was
made in regard to the bathing facilities at the Island, couched
in peculiar language, and conveying a most erroneous and
scandalous impression as to the morality and decency of the
Directors and officers of the Institution, which we comment up-
on at length on subsequent pages. The Committee visited the In-
stitution at Deer Island more especially the House of Reforma-
tion, several times. They also had three several hearings in the
committee room at the City Hall. They have examined separately
and under oath the Superintendent, the Deputy, the present and
the former resident Physicians, the Chaplain, the yard officer,
the receiving officer, the farm officer, the engineer, the clerk,
three teachers of the Boys' Reform and the Reform School, the ma-
tron and the teacher of the Girls' department, the kitchen matron,
the matron of the laundry and bathing-room, five girls of the
Reform School and the boy, James Iron. They also questioned
four boys of the Reform School privately, but did not put them under
oath; and at the City Hall under oath the ward officer, Mr. Giddie,
Dr. Henry G. Clark, and the boy, Moses M. Day. During these hearings
stated the charges, and the course of the Committee in obtain-
ing evidence upon them, they now offer their comments and
conclusions. The Committee are satisfied from the evidence of
physicians and others connected with the institution, that the
use of brown or Indian bread, here as at the House of Correction,
is not injurious to the health of the prisoners. In three months
of the Summer, when the boys work on the farm, they do not
use the brown bread. The Committee do not learn of any cases of

208. sickness from its use. As to the complaint about the boys not hav-
May 2. 1864 ing proper schooling, the present system - six months at school
and six months at farm labor - they consider generally of ad-
vantage to the larger boys sent to this Institution. Their physical
health is improved and they are better able and more willing
to labor, and more likely to get employment when they leave
the Institution. As to any falling off in the studies of the boys,
the Committee can only say the boys appeared well in their
exercises; but they requested Dr. Nuttall, Secy. the Superintend-
ent of Public Schools, to visit the farm and examine the school
while the Committee were engaged with witnesses, and his re-
port is annexed. Mr. Spencer of the Committee also, the com-
mittee are however, that a case might occur, when a boy would be
sent on a long sentence, which would embrace chiefly the
summer months, and he might not have sufficient schooling.
They understand no such case has yet occurred, but they think
some provision should be made for any such contingency.
About one third, or the smaller boys, are at school all the
year. In the Report of the Inspectors upon the three cases cited, of
injuries to boys - viz: the case of W. Gay, Peter, and James, an
impression is conveyed that the lives of the boys at the House of
Reformation are jeopardized and sacrificed by the employ-
ments to which they are put; and that in one case at least the treat-
ment of a lad by the Assistant Superintendent was so rough that
his arm was broken. The case of Wm. H. Gay is the first incident.
***** There was ample evidence to prove that McLeay said he
had been injured by falling from a pile of boards previous to his
entering the Institution; and he admitted before your Commit-
tee, when brought before them in the life, that he fell down and

lump of ice from a pile of fuel; and at the same time, the servant
officer, testified that when he arrested the boy and held him
by arm, he had requested him not to hold so tightly, as he had
a lame arm. Your Committee could extend their report upon this
case, but very sufficient has been given to show that the inspectors
in their investigation sought to confirm baseless suspicions
rather than to discover all the facts in the case. The "reliable
information" which the Inspectors state they obtained, was not
found by your Committee. The next case is that of the boy, James
Toner, who fell from a window, 1st April, 1862. It was reported
to the Board of Aldermen July 27, 1863. Although severely injured,
yet his case is not quite so bad as described by the Inspectors.
His right arm is not entirely useless, or nearly so. He writes
a letter without difficulty with his right hand, and one recent
is written in the hands of the Committee. Dr. Theodore W. Fisher
was Resident Physician here from June, 1861, to August, 1862, and at-
tended to this case. He speaks of the present condition of the Toner
boy as being good with the exception of a stiffness of the right
Elbow; he is but slightly lame; his elbow is left stiff at a right
angle; his arm is useful for nearly all purposes, and in time
may become as strong as ever; his general health is good through-
out. This accident is to be regretted, but it was attributable en-
tirely to the boy's carelessness, as he himself admits, and would
as likely happen if a window jack or stand had been used
by a reckless boy. Precautions are now taken, however, to prevent
any similar occurrence. The third complaint relates to the
death of Patrick Conners on the first of August, 1862, and report-
ed July 27, 1863. From the evidence before the Committee, the
situation in which the boy was placed would not be consider

210 ed dangerous by persons familiar with that description of work.

May 2 1864. His death was caused by the accidental slide, after a ruin of a portion of the top of a bank, which fell upon the boy who was at work near its base, and it would appear that a stone must have struck his head, for he was instantly killed. It was one of those unfortunate affairs which might happen either in or out of prison grounds. It was not deemed necessary to hold an inquest, after obtaining the opinion of the city solicitor upon the subject.

xxxxx. The case of the girl who was whipped, the statement of which forms a portion of the same Report, and has been so widely commented upon, demanded from your Committee and received a careful investigation. That the 30th of July, 1863, this girl was reported to Mr. Payson as having committed a misdemeanor. He took the rattan just alluded to, and told her to hold out her hand, which she refused to do, and rolling her arms in her apron, backed towards the wall, and sat down on the floor.

Mr. Payson again ordered her to hold out her hand, and she again refused, using language obscene and improper, and personally insulting to him. He told her that unless she complied he should use the stick somewhere else. She still refused, when Mr. Payson struck her with the rattan across the shoulders. This took place in the matron's room, and within hearing of the other girls. Finding that it was the girl's intention to triumph by her obstinacy, Mr. Payson requested the matron, Miss. W. Main, who was present during this scene, to bring him a bigger stick; and she went to procure one, when the girl, finding that the Superintendent was determined to maintain his authority, yielded, and was punished on the hand. Your Committee do not hesitate to express regret that the whipping took place, and they trust

that the new law which is now before the Legislature, which will enable the Director to remove a girl who defies the authority and regulation of a Reformatory Institution to a correctional institution, will prevent, in the future, any necessity for subduing a defiant girl by such severe means. We do not generally favour, advocate the inflictment of punishment upon the hand with a rattan or flog in the establishment, knowing from the admission of the girls that they fear the rod more than they do solitary confinement. The Inspectors of Prisons have declined to appear before the Committee separately, at a private examination, to the usual extent in their communication, although their own Reports are based on ex parte evidence taken privately and separately, and their last Report was given to the public through the Press before the City Government had any opportunity to examine into their charges against the Institutions. There were good and sufficient reasons for the private examination of witnesses, and the Committee do not desire to receive the testimony of the members of the Board of Inspectors in any other way. They are fully aware they could legally require the attendance of all witnesses, Judges and Inspectors included, and that they had a perfect right to examine them separately and under oath, but it was quite evident these gentlemen were reluctant to appear, and the members of this Committee had no desire to compel them to do so. The Committee object to the Reports of the Inspectors of Prisons for these reasons:—First. Because the Reports are not made in the proper spirit, and according to the true intent and meaning of the statute. The law did not contemplate an ex parte or one-sided report. The officers of the Institutions should have been examin-

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ed under oath as to the truth or falsity of the allegations against them to be any thing like a fair statement could be made to the Board of Aldermen. The language of the law is, that they may examine the officers of the Institution, and may ^{also} examine prisoners. The latter, in the intention of the law, were to be the auxiliary and not the main source of obtaining information. The Inspectors have reversed this rule, and have taken care to leave no prisoner unquestioned, while they seldom seek verification or refutation out of the mouths of officers. Second. In the opinion of this Committee it is morally impossible to get correct ideas of the errors or abuses in the management or discipline in the very short time given by the Inspectors to the examination of the prison and the prisoners. The visit to the House of Correction occupied only about one hour and a half, and one third of that time was given to the taking of statements from the convict. Scarcely longer are the examinations at the House of Reformation. Third. The delay in making the Report when there are important complaints is certainly objectionable, and the Committee cannot refrain from making their comment. If the Inspectors really desired to relieve the prisoners from these alleged abuses and were governed by benevolent and philanthropic feelings, would they have kept back for nearly four months from the Board of Aldermen, or, as it is a public concern, from the public at large, their serious charges against the Institution? Prisoners begging for food, or suffering and made sick by the use of brown bread and mush; treated with harshness and severity; boys beaten with a wagon whip; a woman flogged; indecent and promiscuous bathing! Yet these things were to be suffered,

these prisoners abused, and for nearly four long weary months, 217
wrong and outrage were to control and pervert the City Insti- May 2 1864
tution! because it did not conform with official dignity to make
immediate complaint! - xxx The Inspectors almost invariably
assert their prerogative and question the prisoners alone. The in-
mates are asked, 'Are you well treated? Have you enough to
eat? Have you anything to complain of?' and similar leading
questions. In the same questions in any boarding or public
school in this country, and it would not be difficult to find
some, at least, ready to avail themselves of the opportunity to a-
vail themselves of the opportunity to respond to such invitations.
In the same questions in the ranks of any army to-day, and
there would be a spirit of insubordination created which it
would be difficult to quell, though the promptness of military law
would prevent forever the same individuals from inciting a second
time a feeling so subversive of all discipline. In these Institutions
such questions prompt the reply. In the case of one girl she expressed
her belief that the result of all her troubles, and the reward,
no doubt, as she expected of all her statements, would be her tri-
umphant release from the Institution, and the arraignment of the
Superintendent at the Court House in Boston to answer her charges.
Every Superintendent, Matron, and Teacher, without an ex-
ception employed in our Institutions, gave their evidence, cor-
roborating the opinions which your Committee have expressed,
and it does not require more than a moment's considera-
tion to see how easily ignorant men, and vicious chil-
dren, might be imbued with the idea that their superior
officers were, after all, on a level with them, and alike amen-
able to the Inspectors. The chance of receiving evidence, judging

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from the Reports, was much in favor of the prisoners. Your committee do not believe that the 'inspectors' were ever appointed to perform such a work, which benefits no one, provokes discontent, renders a harsh discipline inevitable, and creates discord and trouble where there is not the slightest cause for another than 'harmonious' action. If the inspectors have a personal feeling of animosity against members of the Board of Directors, they have no right to make their Reports the media of malice, when as in the present instance they jeopardize the good name of a city by sacrificing truth, and bringing insult upon our citizens from those who are not familiar with the relations which exist between members of the two boards. If your committee have spoken warmly it must be attributed to the evidence which has accumulated at every step, showing the unfairness of the Inspectors' Reports. Many members of your committee commenced their labors impressed with doubts as to the character of our Institutions, fearful that there must at least be something very wrong where there could be so much to find fault with and so little to commend. Aware that the City Council expected an impartial Report, they have given time to the investigation, and due consideration to this presentment. They are not aware of having concealed or distorted any facts which came under their observation that could palliate or prove any of the charges which they have been forced to compile in the evidence which they have obtained through a somewhat protracted hearing. And, in closing, the committee, with unanimity, express the opinion that the city of Astoria need not be ashamed of the management and discipline of her reformatory institutions and prisons. They believe they will compare

farther with those of other cities, and they sincerely regret
that the report of the Inspectors would have given rise to such
exaggerated and unfounded statements as have appeared
in newspapers in and out of the State, to the prejudice of the
honor and humanity of the City of Boston. George W. Messinger,
W^m W. Clapp, Jr. John A. Butler, Nathaniel Adams, Rev. Wadsworth
(See City Document No. 33). In Common Council. Read and ac-
cepted. Came up for concurrence Read and concurred. Yeas-
Aldermen Clapp, Davis, Denio, Marsh, Messinger, Nash, Torrey,
Spague, Standish, Stevens 10. Nay. Alderman Warren 1.

The Board having voted to
proceed to the choice of Directors for Public Institutions.
Denio declined being a candidate for that position to which
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he was nominated and Alderman Messinger withdrew the
name of Frederic Nickerson a candidate at large. thereupon the
vote to proceed to ballot was reconsidered, and Aldermen Nash
and Marsh with such as the Common Council may join were
appointed a committee to nominate candidates to fill said va-
cancies. Sent down for concurrence. May 5. Came up concu-
red and Messrs Bicknell, Holman and Livermore were joined.

The ballots having been taken
and counted for a Master of the House of Correction it appear-
ed that Charles Horton was chosen. Master of
House of
Correction.
Sent down for concurrence. Master of
July 2^d came up concurred.

Ordered: That the Armory
situated at the corner of Chauncy and Green Streets and oc-
cupied by the corps under the command of Capt. Lewis Gaul,
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216. to be appraised by the Board, at an annual rent not exceeding
May 2. 1864. three hundred dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved by the
Mayor May 3^d 1864.

Clinton

Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be directed to cause Clinton Street to be re-numbered between Harrison Avenue and the Avenue of the Boston Water Power Company, commencing the re-numbering from Harrison Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor May 3^d 1864.

Hendley.

Wheeler's Court

The Committee on Internal Health to whom were referred the remonstrances of James Hendley and others, and of William F. Jones against the erection of a stable in Wheeler's Court on the ground that the same will be a nuisance to the neighborhood, have attended to that subject and report, that inasmuch as the stable is intended for the accommodation of only two horses this Board has no control over the matter—as to the danger from fire caused by the keeping of a stable on the premises, the Committee learn that the stable is altered from a Carpenter's shop and that the danger from fire is not materially increased by the change. They therefore wish to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject. For the Committee, D. W. Messinger, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Market.

The Superintendent of the Market reported that for the quarter ending April 30 he had received and paid to the City Treasurer for rents of stalls and cellars in said Market, the sum of sixteen thousand one hundred and seventy eight dollars and forty one cents. Read and placed on file.

Ordered: That the Committee 217

on Lamps, Bell and Clock be and they hereby are authorized May 2, 1864
to make a contract with Benjamin F. Hebard for supplying fluid lamps
for all the fluid lamps in the streets of the city, and for fluid
lighting the same, from and after May 1, 1864, at the rate of
one cent per hour, said lighting to be done in accordance with
time-card similar to those in use by the Boston Gas Light Com-
pany for lighting the gas lamps. Read, and on motion of Alder-
man Spague laid on the table.

Alderman Denis submitted to Boston
the Board the following preamble and order - Whereas in the
opinion of this Board the safety and convenience of the pub-
lic require that a change should be made in the present mo-
tive power on the Boston and Maine Railroad from Causeway
Street to their depot in Faneuil Square, therefore, by virtue of
the power vested in this Board by the fourth section of the
Act incorporating the Boston and Maine Railroad Extension
Company, passed March 16, 1844, it is Ordered: That from and
after the first day of July 1864 no locomotive engine shall be
permitted to cross Causeway Street or Travers Street upon the
track of the Boston and Maine Extension Railroad - and that
all cars whether passenger or freight, which shall cross said
Causeway or Travers Street on said track shall be drawn by
horse power instead of steam, and at a rate of speed not ex-
ceeding four miles an hour and that the gate at the crossing on
Causeway and Travers Streets from and after the day above
named be removed. Read twice and on motion of Alderman
Blapp referred to the Committee on Paving with instructions to
give the Boston and Maine Railroad Company a hearing

Alderman Senio submitted to the

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Boston & Maine
Railroad
Charter

Board the following Resolutions and order. Whereas the subject of the repeal of so much of the Charter of the Boston & Maine Railroad Company as, permit said Corporation to cross Causeway Street with its cars and engines, is now before the Legislature of this State, and whereas, in the opinion of this Board, such a repeal would be of advantage to this City, therefore Ordered: That a Committee of three be appointed to appear before the appropriate Legislative Committee and urge the proposed repeal. Samuel and Silimian Senio, Tuck and Messinger were appointed on said Committee.

Hall.
Olis Street
Arch Street.

On the petition of John R. Hall for leave to construct arches or coal holes under the sidewalks of Olis Street and Arch Street, the Committee on Paving reported that the Superintendent of Street would grant the usual permit. Read and accepted.

Second Hand
about

Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Streets the following Criers in Second Hand articles were appointed. May 21st 1868, Samuel De Young at 130 Dorchester Avenue.

Burnett.

Smith

On the several petitions of Henry Burnett for leave to take gravel from Winthrop Beach and of Thomas Smith for leave to take ballast from Long Island, the Committee on the Harbor on the part of this Board reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

The order establishing the 219
salaries of the several City and County Officers for the past May 2 1864
ent year, which was submitted to the Board on the 25th ultimo. Salaries
came up for a second reading, and on motion of Alderman
Stapp was specially assigned for consideration of Monday next
at 7 1/2 o'clock P.M.

Leave was granted to George Robinson
C. Robinson to give magical entertainments at South Boston on
May 5, 6, 7, and 9.

Ordered: That there be paid to Ashton
John Ashton the sum of eight hundred and seventy nine dol-
lars and twenty cents, for land taken to widen Federal Street. Federal Street.
viz: one hundred and three feet and two tenths of a foot, being
a part of the estate numbered 106 and 108 in said street, upon
his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance
and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence
of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropria-
tion for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening streets.
Read once.

^A Whereas the Boston Gas Light Boston
Company declined the proposition to supply the City with lumi- Gas Light
nating gas at six per cent above its actual cost per thousand
cubic feet, ^B giving as a reason for so declining, that the rate the
City is now paying is not remunerative. And Whereas it is the
will and desire of the City Government that the said corpora-
tion shall be paid such rates as shall be remunerative. Therefore,
be it Ordered, that the ^D Committee on Lamps, Bells and Clocks
be instructed to obtain from the Boston Gas Light Company the low-
est per centage rate they will supply the City with gas the same

being based upon its actual minimum cost, and sworn to under oath or affirmation of the President of the Company. Read once.
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Dove

Street

Whereas, it appears to this Board that a necessity exists for the construction of a Sewer, in Dove Street, between F. and Dorchester Streets, and that public notice of such intention has been given, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby directed to construct a Common Sewer in said Dove Street, and to report a schedule of the expense thereof to this Board, pursuant to law. Read once.

Eighth
Street.

Whereas, it appears to this Board that a necessity exists for the construction of a Sewer, in Eighth Street, between F. and K. Streets, and that public notice of such intention has been given, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby directed to construct a Common Sewer in said Eighth Street, and to report a schedule of the expense thereof to this Board, pursuant to law. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

A meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on Monday the ninth day of May, Anno Domini, 1864
Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen

Jurors were drawn for the United States Circuit Court.

May 9, 1864.
Jurors.

Petition of James McGinley for
leave to construct a cellar doorway on Fifth Street between D & E
Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

McGinley

Petition of Heuben J. Bacon for
leave to lay down a water pipe under and across Concord Street
to connect with his estate. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Bacon.

Petition of Horace G. Gibbs and
others that a sewer be laid in India Street from E to F Streets. Re-
ferred to the Committee on Sewers.

Gibbs

Petition of Samuel D. Crane
that steps be taken for the immediate abatement of a nuisance
on the Grand Jury which affects the health of the city.
Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Crane

Petition of C. C. Stansell that
his improved patent pumps may be introduced into the ser-
vice of the city. Referred to the Committee on Pumps.

Stansell

Petition of Osborne Howes that
Simpson's Pier Lock at West Boston may be temporarily enlarged
by cutting into the adjoining wharf in order to accommodate
thirty the repairs on a steamer. Referred to the Committee on
Paving with full power.

Howes.

Aug 9 1867 On nomination by the Mayor
Stephen H. Tuttle, William E. West, Ebenezer C. Thomas and
Police Samuel A. Todd, were appointed and confirmed as Police Of-
ficers of this City with all the powers of Constables except the
power of serving and executing civil process.

Special On nomination by the Mayor,
Police the following persons were appointed Special Police Officers, on
duty at their respective locations, viz: Warren Newcomb at
Eastern Railroad Station Shepard Russell and Robert Chum-
nell at Old Colony and Newport Railroad Station.

South End The Joint Standing Committee on
Sewerage Claims, to whom were referred the petitions of Michael Quinn,
John Morgan, William M. Wise, E. L. Dodd, Peter Renton, and
Frances E. Field, severally praying for compensation for damages
alleged to have been sustained by them, respectively by reason
of the overflow of water from the drains into the cellars and
basements of their houses, situated on West Castle, Orange Emer-
ald and Dover streets, beg leave to submit the following Report:
There is a tract of water lying between Brydston Street on the
north, Pleasant and Washington Street on the east, Dover Street
on the south, and the Back Bay on the west; the grade of
which is only about four or five feet above low water mark.
Within these limits, and this low grade, these petitioners se-
verally own estates. When they were first improved, they were
drained into the empty basin in the Back Bay; and as the
water in the basin did not rise more than two or three feet above
low water, the drainage was sufficient to carry off all the wa-

to from these premises. A large part of the lands within the limits of the city, south of the territory in question, was also drained into the empty basin. After the lands at the southern part of the city had been generally built upon, and water-closets had come into common use, consequent upon the introduction of the Lochintane Water, there was so much filth discharged from the sewers upon the flats in the basin, as to create a nuisance, offensive to the neighborhood, and dangerous to the public health. It became, therefore, a matter of necessity to provide means for relieving the basin from this great influx of filth, and to carry a part of the sewage into the unobstructed waters of the harbor, where it would be borne away by the tides. To meet this necessity the system of drainage now substantially in use, was adopted upon the recommendation of two skilful engineers, E. J. Lehestrough and William P. Parrott, Esquires. It consists of a marginal sewer in Tremont Street, into which all the sewer effluents of Tremont Street are emptied, which formerly had their outlet in the empty basin, and a connecting sewer extending from Tremont Street through Dover Street, into the South Bay at the Dover Street bridge. As the tides rise five or six feet above the grade of a part of the territory drained into these sewers, this plan of drainage could be operative only so much of the time as the tidal waters should be below the grade of the territory, and at other times the water from the sea would flow in through the sewers and inundate the territory connected with them. To obviate this difficulty gates or flaps were constructed at the outlet of the Dover Street sewer, which were closed by the action of the rising tide, and remained closed until the

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May 9. 1864. receding tide should fall below the level of the water in the ~~Liver~~; and ~~water~~ ~~was~~ a culvert was placed in the Tremont Street sewer opening into the empty basin, to provide for a discharge of the sewer, while the Dover Street sewer should be so closed. With a few exceptions, arising from extraordinary causes, this system afforded satisfactory drainage to the territory in question, until the filling up of the Back Bay lands was commenced. This prevented in part, and will finally entirely prevent, any drainage into waters having a lower level than the ordinary tidal waters. It follows then necessarily that the lands, the grade of which is considerably below high water, cannot be properly or effectively drained; and that the only adequate relief for the territory under consideration is to raise the grade thereof. Unless this shall be done, when the empty basin shall be entirely filled, many of the estates in this neighborhood must be submerged at every tide. Arriving at this conclusion, and aware that the remedy suggested can be applied only at a very large expenditure of money, your Committee invited the Committees on Streets, Paving & Sewers to a consultation with them upon the subject; and it was the unanimous opinion of all, that if some equitable plan can be devised and agreed upon, by which this great work shall be accomplished, and the expense thereof be borne by the owners of the lands and the City in reasonable proportions, the interests of all parties will be best promoted thereby. It is vain to hope, however, that an enterprise of this character and magnitude can be successful unless all parties concerned, with a just appreciation of their rights and duties in the premises, are disposed to enter upon it in a liberal spirit.

The benefits to result from it will mainly accrue to the owners 225
of the lands, as their estates, now so rapidly deteriorating, May 9. 1864.
will become eligible and of greatly enhanced value. It is their
misfortune, that the grade of their lands is so low, and they
have no legal claim upon the City to raise it, or to contribute
to the expense of raising it. Some of the persons owning estates
on this territory may have legal claims upon the City for
some former damages growing out of the condition of the
sewers, but this is the extent of their claims, and these dam-
ages are of small amount. They should, therefore, be willing
to bear the larger part of the expense of the proposed improve-
ment. It is believed that, for all the expenditures they may be
called upon to make for this purpose, they will be more than com-
pensated in the increased value of their estates. The citizen
at large have an interest also in the proposed undertaking.
It is desirable in a sanitary point of view; it will add to
the market value of the property, and it will give beauty
and utility to these lands lying in a central position be-
tween the Back Bay territory and the best improved lands
in the southerly part of the City. These considerations justify
a liberal appropriation from the City treasury to aid the en-
terprise. For these reasons your Committee deem it advisa-
ble that an effort should be made to arrange a plan for
the raising to a proper grade of all the estates within the
limits hereinbefore described, or, if that shall be found im-
practicable, of so many of them as can be included in a gen-
eral arrangement. This will require negotiation with the
land owners, and concert of action between them severally
and the City Government. For the purpose of testing the prac-

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favorably of the scheme suggested, your committee recommend that a joint special committee, to consist of three Aldermen and five members of the Common Council, be appointed with full powers, under the advice and with the approval of His Honor the Mayor, to make such contracts with the owners of the estates, within the said limits, or any part of them, as they shall deem expedient for the raising of the grade thereof to a proper height; and that said committee, with the concurrence of the Mayor, be authorized to appoint three commissioners to assist them in conducting the necessary negotiations, and to fix their compensation. To carry into effect these recommendations, your committee advise the adoption of the accompanying order. For the Committee, Otis Norcross, Chairman. Ordered: That a joint Special Committee, to consist of three Aldermen and five members of the Common Council, be appointed with full powers, under the advice and with the approval of His Honor the Mayor, to make such contracts as they shall deem advisable with the owners of the lands and estates lying between Boylston Street on the north, Pleasant and Washington Street on the east, Dover Street on the south, and the Back Bay lands, so called, on the west, for the raising of the grade of the territory, or any part of said lands, within the aforesaid limits, to a proper height to admit of good drainage thereof; and that said committee, with the concurrence of the Mayor, be authorized to appoint three commissioners to assist them in making the necessary negotiations with the owners of said lands and estates, and to fix the compensation of said commissioners. Read once and ordered to be printed. (See City Doc. No. 46.)

Petition of Mrs. A. B. Whiting 227

to be compensated for loss sustained in consequence of the change of grade in village street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. May 12. Came up concurred.

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Whiting

Petition of Mary B. Ashley

Ashley

to be paid for damages occasioned by insufficient drainage in estate N^o 10 Orange Street. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Claims. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Petition of the scholars of the

Scholars

English High, Latin and Dwight Schools that the City Council would furnish them with blue uniforms and that they be allowed to do escort duty for the City Government on July 4th next. In Common Council, so much as refers to uniforms was referred to the Committee on Public Instruction, and so much as refers to escort duty was referred to the Committee on July 4th. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

uniforms
escort

Petition of Nathaniel Hooper to

Hooper

be paid for his services as Keeper of the Great Brewster Island. Referred to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. May 12. Came up concurred.

The Committee on Public In-

Lymman

struction, to whom was referred an order of the School Committee respecting the removing of the Hook and Ladder House from the premises of the Lymman School-House, have carefully considered the same and respectfully Report: That in their opinion it is expedient that this building be removed from the school lot in question, for the following reasons:—1. It diminishes the yard

School House

228. room of the school, being situated in that part of the yard
May 9 1864 used especially during the recess for the children 2. Being situ-
ated exactly opposite the lateral windows of one of lower school
rooms, it obstructs the light to about two-thirds of their height.

3. We find on inquiry that during the past six months, the
Hook and Ladder carriage has been taken out of the house
on an average about once in two weeks. This circumstance nec-
essarily gives rise each time to considerable noise and confus-
ion, disturbing to a greater or less degree the scholars in the whole
building. ~~Specifically those located in the rear part of the building~~
on, the Committee recommend the passage of the accom-
panying order. For the Committee, C. F. Dana, Chairman. Ordered:
That the Committee on Public Buildings be instructed to
consider and report what measures are expedient to accom-
plish the removal of the Hook and Ladder House from the prem-
ises of the Lyman School-House. Read, accepted and the order
passed. Sent down for concurrence. May 12. Came up concur-
red. Approved by the Mayor, May 13. 1864.

House of
Correction.
charges

Ordered: ^A That the charges
against the management and discipline of the House of Cor-
rection be referred for immediate investigation to the Commit-
tee on Public Institutions and that in conducting such inves-
tigation the Committee be instructed to give the Inspector of Pris-
ons and all other parties who desire it a public hearing. Pass-
ed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and
concurred, with this amendment, at A. strike out all after
'Ordained' and insert as follows. "That so much of the Report
of the Joint Special Committee on the alleged abuses at the
City Institution which report has been accepted by both branches

of the City Council) as relates to special charges against the 229
Board of Education beyond the charges made by the Inspector May 9 1864
of which must be referred accordingly to the recommendation
of said Committee (City Document No 35, page 8) to the Committee
on Institutions. ^B Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Printing Advertising
ing, who were instructed to consider and report how many
and what papers it is expedient for the City to advertise in,
in the year beginning May 1 1864 respectively. Report. That in
their opinion it is expedient to advertise in the same newspa-
per as those which did the City Advertising for the year and at the
same rates; and they recommend the passage of the accom-
panying order. For the Committee. W. W. Clapp, Jr. Chairman Order-
ed: That such of the daily papers which did the City Advertis-
ing under the agreement terminating May 1 1864 ^A as shall agree
to do said advertising for one year from May 1 1864, be selected to
do the same, at a compensation of three hundred dollars each;
and also the Saturday Gazette, ^D Boston Herald and Saturday ^B Express
at a compensation of one hundred and fifty dollars each. In
Common Council. Read, accepted and the order passed with
these amendments, at A. insert "except the Boston Courier at B
insert "and Boston Commonwealth." Came up for concurrence.
Read and this Board concurred therein with these further
amendments at C. insert including the Daily Herald; at D.
insert the "Sunday Herald." Sent down for concurrence. May 12.
Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 13 1864.

The committee appointed to Institutions.
nominate candidates for Directors for Institutions, in place of Directors

May 9 1864 Aldermen Senie and Mr. Frederick Nickerson declined, respectfully Report that Alderman Senie has withdrawn his declination, and in place of Mr. Nickerson, they recommend Mr. Edwin Briggs to the committee. Alderman Senie, chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence May 12 Came up concurred.

Institutions.

Directors
chosen

The Board having voted to proceed by ballot to the choice of Directors for Public Institutions, it appeared that the following persons were chosen. Aldermen Ephraim A. Denio, Common Council. Granville Mears, Jonas Fitch. At large to fill vacancies. Structural Union. To three years, William Madlee, Francis C. Manning, Henry A. Drake. Sent down for concurrence May 12. Came up concurred.

Water

A new bond given by William

Registrar

of Davis the Water Registrar, was approved by the Board.

Constables

bond

The Bond of Patrick Devine, a Constable of this City, having been already approved by the City Treasurer was also approved by the Board. Approved by the Mayor, May 10. 1864.

Eighth St.

Sewer

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Sewers to construct a Sewer in Eighth Street from E. to A. Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 10. 1864.

Dove Street

Sewer

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Sewers to construct a Sewer in Dove Street between E. and Dorchester Streets, was read a second time and passed. Approved by Mayor May 10. 1864.

The order submitted at 231

The last meeting of the Board to pay the Boston Light House May 9 1864
and and twenty nine and twenty cents for land taken
to widen Federal Street, was read a second time and passed.
Approved by the Mayor, May 10. 1864.

The Preamble and order
submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the appointment
of a Committee to procure from the Boston Gas Light Com-
pany the lowest percentage rate at which they will supply the
City with Gas, was read a second time and was amended by
striking out all between A. and B. and inserting as follows.
"Resolved the Boston Gas Light Company secured the proposition
to supply the City with illuminating gas at six per cent above
its minimum cost per thousand cubic feet when delivered from
the Gas Works to the street mains." also by inserting at C. "when
delivered from the Gas Works to the street mains" and the question
being on the passage of said order as amended. Alderman Ginn
moved to strike out at D. "the Committee on Lamps, Bells and
Clocks" and insert "a Special Committee of this Board," which
motion prevailed and the order as amended was passed
and Aldermen Seth Ginn and Francis were appointed on
said Committee.

The report of the State Inspector
of Gas on the condition and quality of the Gas during the month
of April was read, laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Whereas, by a Resolve, passed
the fourteenth day of December 1863, a certain parcel of land, there
in described, was taken to extend Chestnut Street, and the same

Boston
Gas Light Co.
Contract

Gas
Inspector

Braman
Chestnut Street.

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May 9. 1864. was laid out as a public street or way of said City, it is there-
fore Ordained, that due notice be given to the heirs of Jervis Braman
and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, oc-
cupants, or otherwise, in said land, that they cut off, pull down,
remove and carry away all buildings, erections and ob-
structions of every sort standing and projecting over the line
of said Chestnut Street as established by the Resolve aforesaid,
or move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate
and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid, on
or before the first day of June now next ensuing. and in de-
fault thereof the Chief of Police is hereby directed and em-
powered forthwith to enter upon said land, and cause all build-
ings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting
over the line of said Chestnut Street, as established by the
Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and car-
ried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and
the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the di-
rection of the Committee on laying out and widening streets.

Green
Street
Smith

Whereas, in the opinion of the
Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants re-
quire that Green Street should be widened, it is therefore hereby
Ordained, that due notice be given to Thomas C. Smith, trustee,
that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned,
by taking a portion of his land and laying out the same as
a public street and that Monday, the sixteenth day of May
instant at four o'clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hear-
ing any objections which may be made thereto.

Ordered: That the Chief of 233

Police be directed to notify Anne E. Barker to remove the iron fence and close the openings projecting from her estate on Seaboard Avenue corner of South Street within twenty days. And in default thereof the Superintendent of Streets is directed to remove said fences and close said openings at the cost of said Anne E. Barker the owner of said estate.

Ordered: That the Chief of

Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters on Tyler Street who have not laid their sidewalks with brick, to furnish new edge-stones to support the sidewalk, and to lay their sidewalks with brick, or flat stones within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the city at their expense, according to law.

Tyler
Street

Ordered: That the Chief of Po-

lice be directed to notify the owners and abutters Nos 92 and 94 Tyler Street to relay their granite block driveways in front of their respective estates at a grade and in a manner satisfactory to the Superintendent of Streets, within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the city, at their expense, according to law.

Tyler
Street

Ordered, That the Chief of Po-

lice be directed to notify the owners and abutters on Worcester Street who have not laid their sidewalks with brick to furnish new edge-stones to support the sidewalk, and to lay their sidewalks with brick within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law.

Worcester
Street

May 9, 1861
Ginton.

On petition of William Ginton

for leave to construct a building entrance to corner on 1st Street near Broadway, the Committee on Paving reported that the opening has been made, and that it be built of and covered with stone - if not so built that it be closed. Read & accepted.

Chauncy
Street

Ordered, That the Superintendent

of Streets be authorized to repair Chauncy Street between Ayler Place and Bedford Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owners or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Read once.

Fruit
Street

Ordered, That the Superintendent

of Streets be authorized to pave Fruit Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street, as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street, which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owners or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Ordered, That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abutters on said Fruit Street who have not laid their sidewalks, to lay them with brick with-

in twenty days. And that in default thereof the same will be
done by the City, at their expense, according to law. Read once

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Ordered, That the Superin-
tendent of Street be authorized to repair the gutters and re-
set the edgestones in Nassau Street, and make such changes
in grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and
remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he
shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said
Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordin-
ances of the City. Read once.

Nassau
Street

Ordered, That the Superin-
tendent of Street be authorized to repair the gutters in
Lynde Street, and make such changes in the grade of said
Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such pro-
jections on the line of said Street as he shall deem danger-
ous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are
not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City.

Lynde
Street

Ordered, That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the oc-
cupants on Lynde Street numbered 25, 26, 27, 44 and 47; to furnish
new edgestone to support the sidewalks in front of their respect-
ive lots within twenty days. And in default thereof they
will be furnished by the City at their cost according to law.

Ordered, That the Superin-
tendent of Street be authorized to repair Mystic Street, and make
such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem
necessary and remove all such projections on the line of said
Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings

Mystic
Street

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into said street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read once.

Myrtle
Street

Ordered, That the Chief of

Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters on Myrtle Street to furnish new edge-stones to support the sidewalk, and to lay their sidewalks with brick, or flat stones within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City at their expense, according to law. Read once.

Utica,
Kneeland &
Harvard
Streets

Ordered, That the Superintendent

of Streets be authorized to repair Utica Street between Kneeland and Harvard Streets and Kneeland Street at its junction with Utica Street, also repair Harvard Street between Utica & South Street, and make such changes in the grade of said street, as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said street, which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owners or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost four thousand and five hundred dollars. Read once.

Utica
Street
edge-stones

Ordered, That the Chief of Police

be directed to notify the owners and abutters on Utica Street between Kneeland and Harvard Streets, who have not laid their sidewalks with brick or flat stones to furnish new edge-stones to support the sidewalk, and to lay their sidewalks with brick, within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law. Read once.

Ordered, That the Chief 237

of Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters on Star Street between Mica and South Streets to furnish new edge stones to support the sidewalk, and to lay their sidewalks with brick or flat stones within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law. Read once.

Ordered, That the order passed June 21st 1862, accepting Williams Court as a public street or way of the City upon certain conditions, be, and the same hereby is, rescinded: the conditions of said acceptance not having been complied with. Read once.

Ordered: That the Treasurer be hereby authorized to borrow a sum not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars and that the same be appropriated to the payment of bounties to volunteers under the acts of the Legislature approved 18th and 28th March last. Ordered: further, that the money so borrowed be assessed at the next annual assessment according to the provisions of said acts. Read once.

The Committee on the Harbor to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Snow for permission to undertake Gallipoli Island, have considered the same, and respectfully Report: That Mr. Snow holds a lease of Gallipoli Island from the City of Boston, which does not expire until Oct. 1. 1865. and the United States Government having taken possession of the Island for military purposes, the City has become liable to the lease for any loss he may suffer. After hearing Mr. Snow's statements, and conferring with the U. S. Quartermaster at this

238. *post* the Committee are of opinion that it is expedient for the Mayor to cancel the existing lease by the payment of a fair equivalent for the losses and of business, when the United States Government will become the tenant of the City paying a rent based upon the amount paid to Mr. Snow. This arrangement will be satisfactory to all parties, and the Committee therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order to the Committee, A. S. Stern, Chairman. Ordered: That As soon as the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to pay to Joseph Snow the sum of thirteen hundred dollars, upon his surrendering the lease of Gullips Island now held by him and giving an acquittance and discharge of all claims against the City of Boston on account of the occupation of said Island by the United States Government; said sum to be charged to incidental expenses and miscellaneous claims. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he hereby is directed to collect from the United States Quarter Master at this Post, in payment for the use of Gullips Island by the United States Government, the sum of sixty seven dollars and forty-two cents per month, from and after November 23, 1863. Read once.

School
House
at
East Boston

The Committee on Public Instruction to whom was referred a request of the School Committee for the erection of a new Grammar School-House at East Boston, have considered the subject, and respectfully Report, That they are fully satisfied that a new Grammar School-House is demanded in the vicinity of what is known as the Third Section, and after a careful examination of the premises with a view of selecting an eligible location, they have determined to recommend the purchase of a lot of land at the corner of Pres-

cell, Bennington and Saratoga Streets. This lot is satisfactory as to location, and the price for which it can be obtained is regarded as reasonable. The Committee therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order for the Committee of Finance, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they hereby are directed to purchase a lot of land now owned by J. M. Gerard, situated at the corner of Bennington, Prescott and Saratoga Streets, East Boston, and containing thirty two thousand square feet, at a price not exceeding twenty eight cents per square foot; and to erect thereon a Grammar School House upon plans approved by the Committee on Public Instruction, at a cost not exceeding Eight thousand dollars. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, the sum of sixty nine thousand dollars, the same to be appropriated to the purchase of a lot of land on the corner of Bennington, Prescott and Saratoga Streets, East Boston, and the erection thereon of a Grammar School House. Read once.

The Trustees of the City Hospital submitted to the Board for its adoption a code of Rules and Regulations for the government of that institution in accordance with Section Second of said Ordinance: being City Document No 45. Read once.

City Hospital
rule

The Board then adjourned to meet at 7 1/2 o'clock, P.M. to consider the Salary Bill.

May 4. 1864 The Board assembled at 7 1/2 o'clock P.M. Present the Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Dana.

Ward-Rooms

use of
regulated

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Public Buildings be and he hereby is authorized to issue permits for the use of Ward-Rooms in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance regulating the use of Ward-Rooms for political meetings; and that he be directed to pay into the City Treasury quarterly all sums of money received by him as fee for opening, lighting and heating said room. Sent down for concurrence. May 12. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor May 13. 1864.

Ward-Room

for
Ward-Room

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings consider and report upon the expediency of providing a new Ward-Room for Ward No. Four. Sent down for concurrence. May 12. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor May 13. 1864.

Salaries

The Board then proceeded to the consideration of the Salary Bill as printed in City Doc. 41, and recorded on page 181:— and said Bill having been considered by sections was passed with the following amendments viz:— in Section 2. at A. strike out 'three' and insert 'five'. Sect. 4. at B. strike out "five hundred." Sect. 5. Strike out all from C. to D. and insert as follows. "Four Hundred Dollars per annum that is to say, to be paid as follows. Fifteen hundred dollars to each of his Senior clerks and Four hundred dollars to his Junior Clerk." Sect. 10. at E. strike out 'seventeen' and insert 'nineteen'. Sect. 12 at F. strike out 'fifteen' and insert 'seventeen'.

Sect. 15 at G. strike out "fifteen" and insert "sixteen". Sect. 21 at 241.
 A strike out "fifteen hundred" and insert "sixteen hundred" May 9 1864
 and fifty." Sect. 25 at I strike out "twelve" and insert "thirteen".
 Sect. 26 at K strike out "one thousand" and insert "ten hundred
 and fifty". Sect. 32 at L strike out "five" and insert "six". Sect.
 34 at M. strike out "fourteen" and insert "fifteen". Sect 35 at N.
 strike out "eight hundred" and insert "one thousand," at O
 strike out "seventy" and insert "seventy five." Sect 36 at P.
 strike out "eighteen", and insert "seventeen". Sect. 37. at Q. strike
 out "fifteen" and insert "thirteen". Sect. 39. at R. strike out "six-
 teen" and insert "seventeen". Sect. 39. at S strike out "five" and
 insert "four" and insert at T "pursuant to the ordinance".
 Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of
 Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on
 Monday the sixteenth day of May, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petition of Charles F. Coffin
 for leave to erect a Lubricating Oil Factory at the foot of
 Old Harbor Street, South Boston. Referred to the Committee on
 Internal Health.

Petition of George A. Davis
 and others that a nuisance on Pine Island or Navel Point

242. occasioned by the burning of ~~the~~ may be abated. Referred to
May 16. 1864. the Committee on Internal Health.

Cobb

Petition of Sylvanus Cobb and
others that the Suffolk Railroad Company may be compelled
to run over their location in Webster and adjoining streets.
Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Lingew
La Grange Place

Petition of Edward A. Lingew
and others that La Grange Place may be extended to Re-
mont Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Washauer

Remonstrance of E. Washauer &
others against granting a license to John S. Washauer to deal
in Second Hand Articles at 14 Lawrence Street. Referred to the
Committee on Licenses.

Cottle

Petition of Jonathan Cottle for
leave to lay an Iron Pipe across First and Granite Streets to
obtain salt water for his Sugar Refinery. Referred to the
Committee on Paving.

Kennedy

Petition of J. Kennedy and others
for the acceptance of Terrace Place as a highway. Referred
to the Committee on Paving.

Paine

Petition of E. B. Paine and others
that Otis Street may be re-numbered. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Paving.

Hoey

Petition of C. F. Hoey & Co for leave
to open Summer Street for the purpose of connecting their drain
with the Bridgitch State drain at 22 Summer Street. Referred
to the Committee on Sewers.

and others that a sewer be laid in Seventh Street between May 10 1864
G. and H. Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers. Lewis.

On nomination by the Mayor William S. Hale was appointed and confirmed as a Special Police Officer at the Farm School, Thompson's Island. Special Police

The orders submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Treasurer to procure a Loan of two hundred thousand dollars for the payment of bounties to volunteers under the Acts approved March 18th and 20th 1864 and for the assessment of said sum in the next tax bills, were read a second time and passed. Yeas Aldermen Clapp, Dana, Davis, Denio, Marsh, Messinger, Nash, Norcross, Sprague, Standish, Stevens, Warren 12. Nays none. Sent down for concurrence. May 19. Came up concurred. Yeas 40. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor May 20. 1864. Bounties. Loan

The Common Council having amended the order for an investigation of the charges against the management of the House of Correction, by inserting at B (as on page 229) and that the Committee be empowered to find for persons and papers: and that the Investigation thereof shall be public: said action came up for concurrence. Read and the Board concurred in said amendment with this further amendment at C. Strike out "and that the investigation thereof shall be public." Sent down for concurrence. House of Correction charges

May 18. 1864
 San
 Geronimo
 Island

The orders submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the payment of thirteen hundred dollars to John Snow for a surrender of his lease of Geronimo Island, and for the City Treasurer to collect from the United States Marshal, Boston monthly the sum of fifty seven dollars and forty two cents for use of said Island were read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. May 19. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor May 20. 1864.

East Boston

School House

The orders submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Committee on Public Buildings to purchase a lot of land on Bennington Street and Prescott Street, and to erect a Grammar School House thereon and for the Treasurer to procure a Loan of sixty-nine thousand dollars to meet the expense, were read a second time and were amended by inserting at A. "provided that in their judgement the price is not over a fair cash value" and were then passed. Yeas. Aldermen Clapp, Dana, Davies, Denis, Marsh, Messinger, Nash, Norcross, Sprague, Standish, Stevens, Warren 12. Nays none. Sent down for concurrence.

New York
 Central R. R.
 Goodnow
 estate.

Ordered: That the City Solicitor ascertain and report the amount, nature and condition of the claims of the City of Boston against the New York Central or Midland Railroad including the claims in connection with the land bequeathed to the City by William Goodnow for the City Hospital. Sent down for concurrence. May 19. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 20. 1864.

Ordered, That the Commit^A 245

tee on Public Buildings be authorized to sell at public or private sale, May 18. 1864
as they may deem for interest of the City, house No. 55 Sec. 1st. That
the said house having come into the possession of the City, the
purchaser though not having made the required payment
thereon. Read twice and passed with this amendment at A.
strike out 'or private'. Sent down for concurrence. May 19. Came up
concurred. Approved by the Mayor May 20. 1864.

Petition of Adolph Beckman Beckman

to be compensated for damages occasioned to the fall of the
Winthrop House wall upon his store No. 22 Bay State Street. Referred
to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence May 19.
Came up concurred.

Petition of Quincy School Dis- Quincy

trict committee that blinds be placed on the Quincy School House
windows. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent
down for concurrence. May 19. Came up concurred.

The Rules and Regulations City

for the government of the City Hospital as printed in City Doc-
ument No. 45 were read to the Board a second time and were
approved with this amendment, on page 12, at A. strike out
excepting Sunday. Sent down for concurrence. May 19. Came
up concurred. Approved by the Mayor May 20. 1864.

The City Treasurer submitted Treasurer's
to the City Council his accounts as City and County Treasurer
for the financial year 1863-64. Referred to
accounts

246. the Committee on the Treasury Department. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

May 16. 1864. Lighter
Inspector of Lighters and other vessels for an increase of compensation.
Referred in Common Council to the Committee on the Harbor.
Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Swill House The Committee on Public Buildings, to whom was referred the report of the Board of Land Commissioners upon the subject of the erection of a new Swill House on the South Bay Lands, have considered the same, and respectfully recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, Nathl Adams. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be authorized to erect, upon that portion of the South Bay Lands set apart for the Internal Health Department, a Swill House for the use of that Department, at a cost not exceeding six thousand dollars; that amount to be withdrawn from the Reserved Fund and appropriated to that purpose. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 17. 1864.

Quarrying Department sheds. The Committee on Public Buildings, to whom was referred a request of the Committee on Quarrying for the erection of suitable buildings for the Quarrying Department on the South Bay Lands, have considered the same and beg leave to Report: That they have estimated the cost of the proposed buildings and sheds at five thousand dollars; and they respectfully recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, Nathl Adams. Ordered:

That the Committee on Public Buildings be authorized to erect, 247
upon that portion of the South Bay lands set apart for the
Faring Department, suitable buildings for the use of the Far- May 16 1864
ing Department, and fences for the grounds, at a cost of not
exceeding five thousand dollars; that amount to be withdrawn
from the Reserved Fund and appropriated to that purpose. In
Common Council. Passed. Came up for concurrence. Read and
concurred. Approved by the Mayor May 17. 1864

Ordered: That the Committee Denio
on Public Buildings be authorized to contract with 'A. B. C. & Co.' and Robert
and Robert for erecting the Iron Fence ^A around the grounds contract
of the City Hospital, one of the partners of said firm being a
member of the City Council. Passed in Common Council. Came
up for concurrence. Read and concurred with this amend-
ment at ^A strike out "around the grounds" and insert "in front."
Sent down for concurrence. May 19. Came up concurred. Ap-
proved by the Mayor May 20. 1864

The report and order sub- South End
mitted at the last meeting of the Board for the establish- drainage
ment of a comprehensive plan of raising the territory at the
South End where defective drainage now exists were read
a second time and passed and Aldermen Norcross, Stand-
ish and Marsh were appointed on the joint Special Commit-
tee to make the contracts specified in the order recorded page 226,
and to appoint three Commissioners to assist them in making
the necessary negotiations with the owners of estates. Sent down
for concurrence. June 2 came up concurred. Messrs. Fitch, Muldworth, Adams,
Preston Holman were joined. Approved by the Mayor June 3. 1864

May 16. 1864.
Chauncy
Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to repave Chauncy Street from Essex Place to Bedford Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor May 17. 1864.

Chauncy
Street
edgestone.

Ordered, That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters on Chauncy Street, on the southwesterly corner of Essex Street, the Rectory of the Rev. Dr Adams' Church and of Nos. 37 and 43 to furnish new edge stones to support the sidewalk within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law.

Fruit
Street

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave Fruit Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor May 17. 1864.

Synde
Street

The orders submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to repair the gutters in Synde Street, and for the Chief of Police to notify the abutters at 25, 26, 27, 44 and 47 Synde Street to furnish new edgestones within twenty days were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor May 17. 1864.

Mystic
Street

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave Mystic Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor May 17. 1864.

Mystic
Street

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Chief of Police to no-

lity the abutters on Mytic Street to lay their sidewalks with
brick or flat stones in twenty days was read a second time
and passed. 249
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The order submitted at the
last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to
repare the gutters and reset the edgestones in Nassau Street
was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor
May 17. 1864. Nassau
Street

The order submitted at the
last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets
to repare Ullica Street from Ireland to Harvard Street, and
land Street at its junction with Ullica Street. also Harvard Street
between Ullica and South Streets, was read a second time and
passed. Approved by the Mayor May 17. 1864. Ullica,
Kneeland,
& Harvard
Streets.

The order submitted at the
last meeting of the Board for the Chief of Police to notify the
abutters on Harvard Street from Ullica to South Streets, to lay
their sidewalks within twenty days was read a second time
and passed. Harvard
Street
sidewalks

The order submitted at the
last meeting of the Board for the Chief of Police to notify the
abutters on Ullica Street between Ireland and Harvard Streets
to lay their sidewalks within twenty days was read a second
time and passed. Ullica
Street
sidewalk

Ordered: That the sum of
two dollars and thirteen cents be, and the same is hereby
deducted from the assessment of Frederick Crosby for his propor-
tion of the cost of a common sewer in Allen Street, the size of
Crosby.

250 his lot having been over estimated sixty-six square feet. Read
May 16. 1864 twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor. May 17. 1864.

Dean

The Committee on the Assessors' Department to whom was referred the petition of Benjamin Dean, Attorney for the abatement of a portion of the taxes assessed upon house No. 4. Beacon Street, for the year 1863, have considered the same, and respectfully Report: That in their opinion too high a valuation was placed upon the estate named, and they therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, H. A. Stevens, Chairman. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he hereby is directed to refund to Benjamin Dean, Attorney for Adeline M. Greene, the sum of thirty-four dollars and fifty cents, the same being a portion of the taxes assessed upon estate No. 4. Beacon Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor May 17. 1864.

Lung

The Committee on the Assessors' Department, to whom was referred the petition of William Lung, for an abatement of his personal taxes for the year 1862, have considered the same, and respectfully Report: That according to the petitioner's statement, he had no taxable personal estate in 1862, and they therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, H. A. Stevens, Chairman. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and they hereby are directed to abate from the taxes assessed upon William Lung for the year 1862, the amount assessed upon personal estate or income. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 17. 1864.

The order submitted at the 251.

last meeting of the Board to rescind the order of June 21, 1862, in the acceptance of William's Court was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor May 17. 1864.

William's Court

On so much of the petition of William J. Jarvis and others in relation to the defective drainage of Wheeler's Court, the Committee on Internal Health reported a reference to the Committee on Sewers. Read, accepted and referred accordingly.

Jarvis
Wheeler's
Court.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises between Fremont, Village, Albion, Emerald, Middlesex and Suffolk Streets, caused by stagnant water, dirt and filth on said premises adjoining to Ralph Huntington, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by filling up said premises with gravel at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Fremont
Street

The Committee on the Assessors' Department, to whom was referred the communication of the Assessors in respect to an alleged illegal transfer of stocks to escape taxation by Peter B. Brigham, have considered the same, and respectfully Report: That since the year 1858, Mr. Brigham has annually transferred shares of the Fitchburg Railroad Company to another person a few days before the first day of May, and that all those shares have been re-transferred to him before the end of May in each year, except in 1863, when the re-

Brigham

252. transfer did not take place till the 12th of June. The total amount of transfers during six years is 220 shares, the par value of which is \$22,000. Respectfully submitted, to the Committee, A. A. Stevens, Chairman. Read and recommitted to the Committee.

Drake

The Committee on the Assessors' Department to whom was referred the petition of John Drake's heirs for abatement of taxes, have considered the same, and respectfully recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, A. A. Stevens, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Pine

Island
nuisance

The Committee on Internal Health to whom were referred the petitions of Samuel L. Crane, George A. Lewis and others for the abatement of a nuisance caused by the burning of bone on Pine Island, Roxbury, which affect the health and comfort of the citizens of Wards 10 and 11 respectfully report, that being satisfied that the case complained of is indeed a serious nuisance, they submit the following order. For the Committee, C. H. Heringer, Chairman. Enacted: That the Committee on Internal Health be and they hereby are authorized to direct the City Solicitor to enter a complaint against the City of Roxbury before the Grand Jury of Norfolk County, of the nuisance on Pine Island whenever he is provided with satisfactory and legal evidence of said nuisance. Read, accepted and the order passed.

Boston & Maine

Railroad

The Committee on Paving, to whom was referred the order of the Board of Aldermen proposing a change of the motive power on the Boston and Maine Railroad Company's tracks from Causeway Street to their depot

in Haymarket Square, with instructions to give said Corporation a 255

hearing would respectfully report that the subject is one of
such great importance that your Committee are unanimously of
the opinion that it is one in which the parties in interest should
be heard before the whole Board of Aldermen instead of before a
Committee, they therefore recommend the passage of the accom-
panying order. For the Committee, W. Miles Standish, Chairman.

Ordered: That the Boston and Maine Railroad Company be noti-
fied that they will be heard before the Board of Aldermen on
Monday, May 23. 1864, at 4 1/2 o'clock P.M. to show cause why the
order offered in the Board of Aldermen, Nov. 2. 1864 proposing a
change of motive power from steam to horse, on the tracks of the
Boston and Maine Railroad from Causeway Street to the depot
in Haymarket Square, should not be passed. received and the order
passed.

Ordered: That the Superin-
tendent of Streets be and he is hereby directed to notify the said
Boston Company to erect fences upon the lines of Saratoga Street
between Northworth and Humbolt Street in front of lots owned by
said said Boston Company adjoining the highway, in accord-
ance with the provisions of Section 9, of the Ordinance in rela-
tion to Streets passed April 28. 1863. The said Saratoga Street being
dangerous without said fences.

Alderman Stevens submitted
to the Board the following order: Ordered: That the proprie-
tors of the Building formerly known as St. Matthew Church
situated on Broadway in South Boston, be and they are
hereby granted leave to remove from the lands under said
building, so many of the dead bodies therein interred, as

Saratoga
Street

St. Matthew's
Church

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they have or may have the right to remove, and to convey said bodies to any place without the limits of the city, which shall be selected for the re-interment thereof; said removal to be made under the direction of the City Registrar, and at such times as he shall approve. Read and on motion of Alderman Clapp laid on the table.

Tax Payers

Ordered: That the Principal

non-resident

Assessors be directed when they publish the next list of Tax payers to designate by a star those gentlemen, who habitually leave the City just prior to the first day of May and who do not pay their personal taxes in Boston. Read twice and passed. Subsequently, Alderman Stevens moved to reconsider the foregoing vote and the consideration of that motion was assigned for Monday the 30th instant.

Smith

George O. Shattuck, Esq. for J. C.

Green Street

Smith, Esq. appeared and objected to the proposed widening of Green Street, as contemplated by the Board, and thereupon the subject was re-committed to the Committee on Streets.

East Boston

Ferry

business

The Committee appointed to

ascertain the amount of daily travel across the East Boston Ferry, have attended to that duty and report. They have employed our competent persons who have attended to their duty faithfully, commencing with the first trip in the morning, about four o'clock, and closing with the last trip at night, which leaves the Boston side at 12 o'clock; there being no boat running from 12 o'clock at night till 4 o'clock in the morning. Soon after they commenced their labor a heavy westerly storm set in which lasted for several days, and by

the following daily record it appears that there were very 255.
few fair days during the entire four weeks for which they May 16 1864
were employed, and an easterly wind prevailed during the
entire length of time. The remarkable contrast between
fair and foul weather, as shown by the daily record, indi-
cates that the travel was very light as compared with that
during ordinary weather. These boats are run only in fair
weather, and in the day time. Morning and evening the
boats are very much crowded with foot passengers, and the
houses, docks, and boats very insufficient to properly accom-
modate so large a number of persons as necessarily cross the
ferry. A. S. Stevens, Geo. W. Messinger, Committee. See also Sec. 4th.
Referred to the Special Committee on East Boston Ferries

Mrs. Harrison Gray Otis, ag- Otis
ent of the City of Boston to receive and forward Donations
for the Massachusetts Soldiers in the field, presented to the
Board a report of her agency for the past year. Laid on the
table and ordered to be printed.

Agreeably to the report of the Market
Committee on the Market have was granted to Ruben Kimball
to transfer his lease of Hall 31 Old Market to Jerry Russell.

On petition of James H. Goring McViney
for leave to construct a cellar doorway on Sixth Street between
L and E Streets, the Committee on Paving reported leave to
withdraw. Read and accepted

On petition of Thomas Gogin Gogin
and others that Dorchester Street may be widened from the

256 Old Colony Railroad Bridge to Dorchester Street, the Com-
mittee on Streets reported that the petitioners have leave to
withdraw. Read and accepted.

Bacon

On petition of Reuben J. Bacon
for permission to lay down a Water Pipe across Concord Street,
the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and
accepted.

Ward

Leave was granted to Council &
Ward to give a Spinning Exhibition on Tuesday evening May
17, at No 2 Portland Street.

Weights &
Measures
Ordinance

The Committee on Ordinances
who were directed to consider what changes are necessary
in the form of the table provided for in Section three of the Ord-
inance relating to the Sealing of Weights and Measures, have
attended to that duty, and respectfully Report: That it ap-
pears from the representations of the Sealers of Weights and
Measures, that the tabular record of their proceedings required
by the Ordinance may be made much more full and com-
plete, by a change in its form; and in order to accomplish
that object the Committee recommend the passage of the ac-
companying Ordinance For the Committee, G. F. Luna, Chairman.
Read once.

Public
Instruction
Comm

The Committee on Ordinances,
to whom was referred an order instructing them to inquire
into the expediency of reporting an Ordinance defining the
duties and prerogatives of the Committee on Public Instruction,
having carefully investigated the subject respectfully beg
leave to Report: That there has always been to a greater or
less degree a conflict of jurisdiction between the Committee

on Public Instruction and the Committee on Public Buildings, 257
and that the line of demarcation has never been distinctly Aug 10, 1887
drawn between the respective proper functions of these two
Committees. The Committee on Public Buildings have had dis-
tinct duties assigned them, and their course of action plainly
marked out from the early institution of the City Govern-
ment. On the other hand, the Committee on Public Instruc-
tion is a Committee of more modern institution, and prob-
ably destined originally to serve as a medium of commu-
nication, in some respects, between the School Committee &
the City Council. But their duties never having been strict-
ly defined, have been of rather an anomalous nature, and
have led to frequent differences of opinion and much
discussion as to their respective rights, powers, and privi-
leges between them and the Committee on Public Buildings.
It is evidently desirable, for many reasons, that the clash-
ing of views should cease, so that each Committee may per-
form efficiently its legitimate duties in its own proper sphere.
Of course no question can arise as to the propriety of refer-
ring all subjects connected with the general interests of pop-
ular education in the City to the Committee on Public Instruc-
tion. Also, as to their inherent right of recommending to the
City Council that new school edifices be erected, or addi-
tional accommodations furnished, at the request of the
School Committee, on evidence that the same is necessary &
expedient; it is thought that this has not been nor will be
disputed. Theirs is the proper Committee to hear and weigh
the testimony bearing upon these important matters, and to
be embodied by them in their reports to the City Council for

258. its decision. The chief difficulty hitherto has been a doubt
May 16. 1864. entertained by the Committee on Public Buildings as to the
competency of the Committee on Public Instruction to take final
or concurrent action on these two points: firstly, as to recom-
mending the purchase of a lot of land for the erection of a
schoolhouse, either grammar or primary, and making it obli-
gatory on the Committee on Public Instruction to build on this
lot, whether in their opinion desirable, or not; secondly, the
Committee on Public Buildings have upheld it as their espe-
cial right and privilege, to build and rebuild all schoolhouses
after their own plans and ideas, without any interfering con-
trol from the Committee on Public Instruction. For the last
year or two, the courtesy has been extended to the last Com-
mittee of a consultation as to the plan, but without according
them any deciding voice in the matter. We believe that these
two points have constituted the fundamental and essential
grounds of difference between these two Committees. Now, it
is respectfully submitted, that there is no valid reason why
the Committee on Public Instruction should not be as com-
petent to recommend the purchase of a lot of land at cer-
tain rates as the Committee on Public Buildings, embracing,
as it generally does a fair proportion of the practical business
talent of the City Government. In the next place this Committee
ought to be better advised as to the proper location to select
for the site of a new school edifice, owing to their more inti-
mate acquaintance with the fact of the needed change or
improvement, as derived from their thorough scrutiny of the
conditions bearing upon the matter, and their generally closer
relations with the School Committee. The process of the Commit-

tee on Public Instruction's examining into the circumstances 259.

pro and con. of a proposed site, reporting it as, in their opinion, May 16. 1869
expedient or not, to purchase the same and having it referred
back again to the Committee on Public Buildings for their ex-
amination, decision, and report, is somewhat lengthy and
complicated. Why should not the question as to the expediency
of purchasing, be submitted to the Committee on Public In-
struction, leaving to the Committee on Public Buildings the
opportunity of expressing their judgment and experience in
the carrying out of the material part of the undertaking to the
erection of a suitable building on the designated lot? Secondly,
as to what constitutes a suitable building for school purposes.

It would seem that it belongs to the province of the Committee
on Public Instruction to have at least a little authority as to
the mode of construction. Granted, that the Building Commit-
tee are the best judges of the durability, economy, and even
elegance of a certain style of architecture; still, there is room for
the exercise of an enlightened judgment by an auxiliary Com-
mittee, in respect to certain matters connected with school ar-
chitecture, especially in its internal arrangements, having an
immediate bearing on the interests of education as connected
in the physical and mental welfare of the scholars. In pur-
suance of these conclusions, the Committee on Ordinances re-
spectfully submit the accompanying order. For the Commit-
tee, C. F. Dana, Chairman. Ordered: That there be added to the
joint rules and order of the City Council the following actions:
1. All papers and matters pertaining to popular education and
the public schools, and all proposed appropriations for these ob-
jects, shall, before final action thereon, be referred to the Com-

200. mitted on Public Instruction, unless the City Council shall otherwise order. 2. Whenever land is to be purchased for a schoolhouse lot, or for the enlargement of a schoolhouse lot, the question of the locality and quantity of the lot to be purchased shall be referred to the Committee on Public Instruction. 3. Whenever a schoolhouse shall be erected, repaired, or altered, the Committee having in charge such erection, repair, or alteration, shall, before proceeding to the execution of the work, submit the plan thereof to the Committee on Public Instruction, and no plan shall be carried into execution without their approval, unless the City Council shall so order. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on Monday the twenty third day of May, Anno Domini, 1864.
Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Stevens.

Two Petit Jurors were drawn for the United States Circuit Court.

Petition of J. Foristall that Chamber Street below Ashland Street may be graded. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Hugh Green and 261.
That that Ordinance that may be granted and extended May 23 1864
to Fifth Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Green

Petition of the Suffolk Rail Suffolk
Road Company for leave to remove their tracks from Webster Railroad.
Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of B. F. Divight, agent Fleet
for the Fleet heirs, to be paid for land taken to widen Water Street.
Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of the Ancient and Am: & Hon^{ble}
Honorable Military Company for leave to occupy the parade Military Co
ground on Boston Common June 6th. Referred to the Committee
on Common &c

Petition of the Ancient and Am: & Hon^{ble}
Honorable Military Company for leave to occupy Faneuil Hall Military Co
on June 6th to celebrate their anniversary. Referred to the
Committee on Faneuil Hall.

Petition of R. W. Brady & others Brady
that a nuisance occasioned by smoke from a chimney of Fir-
rey Thompson's factory in Charlestown Street may be abated.
Referred to the Committee on Steam Engines &c.

The Committee on the Treasur- Treasurer's
y Department, to whom were referred the accounts of the accounts
City and County Treasurer for the financial year ending Ap-
ril 30, 1864, have examined the same in connection with the
Treasurer's books, and respectfully Report: That they find that

262 The entries upon the books correspond with the receipts and
~~Aug 23 1868~~ vouchers on file. The business of the year amounted

On City Account, to \$ 6,996 47 50

On County Account to 152,494 22

Total \$ 7,148,969 25

The balance of cash on hand April 30 was \$456,701.20. The amount of Bonds and Notes held by the City, all secured by mortgage, was \$258,555.52. The Committee fully endorse the income received by the Committee of former years upon the account method adopted by the Treasurer in the arrangement of his books, and the thorough and handsome manner in which it is executed. Respectfully submitted, For the Committee, Nathl G. Nash, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. May 26. Came up concurred.

Convention

Ordered: That a message be sent to the Common Council proposing a convention of the City Council on Thursday next at eight o'clock PM for the purpose of choosing a City Treasurer for the present financial year.

Union Freight
Horse
Railroad.

The Joint Special Committee appointed by the City Council to consider the expediency of accepting the charter of the Union Freight Horse Railroad Company, beg leave to Report: That the efforts made during the recent session of the Legislature to procure amendments to the Charter which would make it more acceptable have failed, and in the interim the original Act has expired by limitation. As this prevents the possibility of any further action, the Committee respectfully ask to be discharged from the con-

consideration of the subject. For the Committee, L. Miles Standish,
Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.
May 26. Came up concurred.

263.

May 23 1864.

Ordered: That the buildings
now used by the Internal Health Department on Harrison
Avenue between Canton and Brookline Streets be placed
when vacated under the jurisdiction of the Committee on
Public Lands. Sent down for concurrence. May 26. Came up
concurred. Approved by the Mayor May 27. 1864.

Stables
old building

Petition of Citizens of Ward No 11
for a more convenient Ward Room than the one they now use.
Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for
concurrence. May 26. Came up concurred.

Ward XI
Ward room

The Ordinance submitted at
the last meeting of the Board to amend the Ordinance relat-
ing to Sealing Weights and Measures and which prescribes
a new form of book to be kept by the Sealers, was read a sec-
ond time and passed. Sent down for concurrence June 2. Came
up concurred. Approved by Mayor June 3. 1864.

Weights &
Measures

Ordered: That the Superin-
tendent of Fire Alarms keep a daily record of the tempera-
ture and weather at such periods of the day and in such
form as the Committee on Fire Alarms shall direct. Referred
in Common Council to the Committee on Fire Alarms. Came
up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Weather
gauge

264.

Ordered: That the Committee

May 23. 1864. on the Harbor be and they hereby are authorized, in concurrence with the approval of the Board of Aldermen to adopt such measures they may deem necessary and expedient for the construction of Sea-walls and other necessary works on Great Brewster Island, Gallops Island, and Deer Island, in Boston Harbor, in order to protect said islands against the action of the sea and prevent further injury to said Harbor by the washing thereinto of the earth from said islands; the plans for the construction of said works to be submitted to and approved by the Governor and Council before the same are commenced, pursuant to the Act for the Protection of the Outer Harbor of the City of Boston passed by the Legislature of 1854.

Loan

Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars, the same to be appropriated to the construction of sea-walls and other works for the protection of Great Brewster, Gallops and Deer Islands in Boston Harbor. Passed in Common Council. Yeas 40. Nays none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas, Aldermen Clegg, Davis, Davis, Hatch, Manning, Park, Stedman, Sprague, Thudish. Nays none. Absent. Aldermen Dana, Stevens, Warren. Approved by the Mayor May 25. 1864.

East Boston

School House

The Common Council

having amended the order which passed the Board on the 16th instant for the purchase of land at East Boston and the erection of a School House thereon, by inserting at C. (See page 244) "to purchase 4000 Square feet additional at such price as they shall deem best" and having passed

said order as amended by a vote of Yeas 38 Nays none, said
action came up for concurrence. Read and this Board con-
curred therein. Approved by the Mayor May 26. 1864.

265.

May 23. 1864.

The Committee on Claims
to whom was referred the petition of J. L. H. & Co. to be paid
damages for delay under their contract for work on the City
Hospital, have considered the same, and given the peti-
tioners a hearing, and they respectfully Report: That in their
opinion the petitioners have not suffered any damage in
executing their contract in consequence of any fault of the
City, and the Committee therefore recommend that they have
leave to withdraw. For the Committee, O. S. Norcross, Chairman.
Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. May 26. came
up concurred.

J. L. H. & Co.

Ordered: That ~~that~~ the Trust-
ees of Mount Hope Cemetery be and they hereby are directed
to set apart in said Cemetery a lot of land bordering on Grove,
Cypress and Central Avenues, not exceeding six thousand
square feet, for the burial of the bodies now interred or entomb-
ed upon the estate on the southerly side of Broadway, for-
merly known as Saint Matthews' Church; the burials and the
preparation of the ground therefor to be made by the Trustees of
said St. Matthews' Church estate, under the direction of the Trust-
ees of Mount Hope Cemetery. Ordered: That when the forego-
ing order shall be carried into effect, and all said bodies
shall be removed and deposited in said lot, to the satisfac-
tion of the City Registrar, there be paid to the Trustees of the
St. Matthews' Church estate, the sum of six hundred dollars,

St. Matthews'
Church

Amended Dec. 1866.

266. the same to be charged to the appropriation for Incidental Exp-
May 23 1864 pense and Miscellaneous Current. Ordered: That the order of
the City Council of December 12, 1863, relating to the removal
of dead bodies from the St. Matthew's Church estate and their
re-interment in Mount Hope Cemetery be and the same are
hereby rescinded. Passed in Common Council. Came up for
concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor,
May 26, 1864.

St. Matthew's
Church

On motion of Alderman Clapp
the Board took from the table the order laid thereon on the
16th instant authorizing the pastor of St. Matthew's Church
to remove such bodies as they may have a right to remove,
to any place of interment without the limits of the City and
said order was passed by the Board. Approved by the Mayor
May 26, 1864.

Otis
Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent
of Streets be authorized to cause Otis Street to be re-num-
bered. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May
25, 1864.

Pine
Island

Ordered: That the Committee
on Internal Health be and they hereby are authorized to take
such steps as they may deem expedient to abate the nuisance
which proceeds from Pine Island or from any other locality in
the City of Roxbury.

Public
Instruction

The report and orders in rela-
tion to the duties of the Committee on Public Instruction, where-
by it is proposed to amend the Joint Rules and Orders of the
City Council so as to define the duties of said Committee,
were read a second time and rejected. Alderman Dana

thereupon gave notice that he should move a reconsideration of this vote on Monday next.

267

May 23. 1864.

The Common Council having insisted upon its former vote whereby in investigating the alleged charges against the management of the House of Correction the Committee on Institutions were instructed to have such investigation made public. Said action came up for concurrence. Read and the subject was laid on the table.

House of
Correction

Alderman Standish, from the Committee on Back Bay Lands, submitted to the Board a draft of the proposed contract between J. E. and N. Brown and the City of Boston in relation to the conveyance of certain lands near Columbus Avenue, so called, to be used by the City as public streets and the construction of Bridge over the Boston and Worcester Railroad. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Brown
Contract.

The Committee on Internal Health to whom was referred the petition of Charles Coffin to leave to erect a factory at the foot of Old South Street for the purpose of manufacturing Lubricating Oil, respectfully Report: That they have examined the location proposed and report that the prayer of the petitioner be granted on condition that the proposed building shall be constructed to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Health. For the committee, J. W. Messinger, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Coffin.
Oil Factory

A message was received from the School Committee, proposing a convention of said Committee

School
Committee

268. be and this Board on Tuesday the fourteenth day of June
May 23 1864 met for the purpose of filling a vacancy in the former body
occasioned by the resignation of George M. Peck of Ward 9.
and that public notice of the fact be given pursuant to law.
Read and thereupon ordered that a message be sent to the
School Committee stating that this Board concurs in said pro-
position.

Boston & Maine
Railroad.

motive
power

Agreeably to assignment the
Board took up the subject of the proposed change of motive
power on the Boston and Maine Railroad out of Courtway
Street. Said company appeared by C. F. Choate, Esq. and object-
ed to the passage of the proposed order and submitted re-
monstrances signed by Grant, Warren 76 and 22 others. Charles
French and 121 others. Powers, Cook 76 and 125 others. Charles E.
Niggin and 97 others. Peter Hubbell and 205 others. May and
Smith and one hundred and sixty six others against the change
of motive power from Steam to Horse. After the introduction of
much oral testimony to the same point the hearing of the
corporation was closed. Thereupon Alderman Denis moved
that Monday next at 4 1/2 o'clock, P.M. be assigned for the
hearing of any parties who favor the change of motive power
as proposed - which motion prevailed and the subject was
continued to that time.

Second Hand
Articles

Agreeably to the reports of the
Committee on Licenses the following persons were licensed as
Dealers in Second Hand Articles. Moses Vandum 128 Dorchester
Avenue - Michael Mullen 192 Congress Street.

Grew

Leave was granted to Thomas

new to give a Sparring Exhibition at Tammany Hall, 269
Richard Street on May the thirty first May 23 1864

Leave was granted to C. F. Ho- Hovey
vey & Co to open Summer Street to the Swedish chain Summer Street
at 22 Summer Street on condition that the estate occupied by
C. F. Hovey & Co shall not be exempt from any future assess-
ment.

On petition of Grace Church Grace
Church
to be exempted from an assessment for the construction of the
Ridgway Lane sewer the Committee on Sewers reported that
the petitioners must leave to withdraw and that so much of
said petition as relates to an assessment for a sidewalk be
referred to the Committee on Paving. Read and accepted.

On the several petitions of Whiting
Nathaniel Whiting that a sewer be laid in Williams Court
of Horace G. Gibbs and others that a sewer be laid in Tudor Gibbs
Street from E. to F. streets, the Committee on Sewers reported
leave to withdraw as said streets are not accepted by the
city. Read and accepted.

On petition of William Done- Donegan
gan that Morton Street be widened the Committee on Streets Morton
reported that as said street is not accepted by the city the Street
petitioners must leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On petition of Solomon S. Lewis Lewis
and others that a sewer be laid in Seventh Street between
G and H. Streets, the Committee on Sewers reported leave to

270 withdraw. Read and accepted.

May 23. 1864.

East Boston

Ferry

Bill

The Committee consisting of the whole Board of Aldermen, to whom was referred the petition of the East Boston Ferry Company requesting permission to collect an increased toll, &c. &c. have considered the same and respectfully submit their Report: The Committee after giving several public hearings, met on the 17th inst. to consider this petition and also the report of a Committee of the Board of Aldermen appointed to ascertain the daily toll over the East Boston Ferry, which report (see City Document No. 44) was subsequently referred to them. It appears from this Report that for a period of twenty-eight days, extending from March 28 to April 24, both inclusive, -

The tolls amounted in all to \$ 9,560.50

Making an average daily receipt of 341.45

The President of the East Boston Ferry Company submitted to the Committee a memorandum of the expense for running the ferry from January 1. to March 31. 1864. a period of three months, or ninety-one days, which was as follows:-

Rent of wharf (Gargent's) and Office \$ 1,037.50

Wages, including Salary of Superintendent 4992.69

Salary of President and Treasurer 525.00

Chandler's materials, oil, waste &c 2993.59

Repairs of boat and machinery 9143.41

Repairs of docks and landings 634.30

Interest on bonds and notes 543.42

86 5/8 tons coal. at \$9.50 8222.25

Total

19,892.16

Being an average per day of

218.59

The above comprises all the information in the possession 271
 of the committee as to the expenses and income of the ferry. May 23 1884
 A year's account from these data may be stated as follows:-

Income for 365 days at \$ 341.45 per day	\$ 124,629.45
Expenses for 365 days at 218.59	\$ 79,785.35
Dividend on Capital Stock of	
\$ 225,000 at 8 percent	<u>18,000.00</u>
Total	<u>97,785.35</u>
	\$ 26,844.10

The Committee are aware of the rapid increase in the ex-
 penses attendant upon all branches of business, and presume
 there has been a corresponding increase in the expenses of
 the ferry since April. It will be observed that the price of coal
 in the above calculations is at the rate of \$9.50 per ton. If the price
 hereafter is to be at \$12.00 per ton, it would make an addition
 of \$9,655.00 to the yearly expenses. The Director of the ferry sub-
 mitted to the Committee a memorandum of the present and
 prospective needs of the ferry as follows:-

Steamer Jefferson	\$ 30,000
Repairs and alterations	10,000
Two new ferry houses	12,000
Altering Slips	3,000
Two new slips	1,200
Three new boilers	16,000
Two new tanks	4,000
One new shaft	<u>1,500</u>
Total	\$ 103,500

And during the next four years,

Three new boats at a cost of \$60,000 each	180,000
Less the value of the 'Norfolk' and 'Suffolk'	<u>30,000</u>
	\$ 150,000

272. According to the statements in Document No. 44, the average daily number of first passengers on the ferry for the year was 10,481. And the daily average for the same time of the passengers in the Suffolk Railroad cars was 1079. By an act of the Legislature the Ferry Company is prohibited from charging more than one cent each for passengers in railroad cars. During the time covered by Document No. 44, the charge was two cents each. If the above act overrides any existing contract between the parties, then the income of the Ferry Company will be reduced from our former calculation as follows: 1079 passengers per day, at one cent each amounts per year to \$3938.35. On the other hand, we find from a statement made by the Ferry Company, that the receipts upon the East Boston Ferry this year as compared with the receipts of the two ferries for the months of January, February, and March 1863, were as follows:—

Receipts for both Ferries 1863.		Receipts of East Boston Ferry 1864.	
January	\$ 6,715.58	January	\$ 6,713.39
February	6,121.61	February	6,588.92
March	6,762.39	March	8,670.00
Total	\$ 19,599.58	Total	\$ 21,972.31

Showing a gain for the three months of about eleven and a half per cent, and according to Document No. 44 the increase has continued. The charter of the Ferry Company gives the Board of Aldermen authority to fix a rate of tolls provided that in doing so the rate shall allow the payment of eight per cent profit to the stockholders. And the company are required to furnish such reasonable accommodations to the public as the Board of Aldermen may adjudge necessary. In order to fulfil this

requirement the Ferry Company must be allowed to collect 273

such a rate of toll as will pay for repairs and depreciation May 23 1864
over and above the eight per cent. If the data of our estimate
be correct, the income over the amount required for dividends
will warrant the Company in making at once a considerable
portion of the addition and repairs which are necessary; and
the public have good reason to expect prompt action in this
matter. If the business of the Grand Ward continues to in-
crease, as we trust it may, additional boats, or those of larger
dimensions than are contemplated in the estimate of the
Company will be required; and it may be found expedient
at no distant day to have another landing upon the East
Boston Side and that the slip upon Eastern Avenue now oc-
cupied by the City be appropriated for this use. The com-
mittee are of opinion that the evidence before them does not
warrant an advance in the rate of toll at this time, and
therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to with-
draw. For the Committee, Otis Norcross, Chairman. Laid on
the table and ordered to be printed. (City Document No 53).

The Auditor's Annual report

Leases

exhibiting a schedule of Leases of the City. Report came up
from the Common Council. Laid on the table and ordered
to be printed.

Ordered: That leave be grant-

Cottle

ed to Jonathan Cottle to lay down a six inch iron pipe in
First Street from the Sugar Refinery building of said Cottle to
Granite Street and in Granite Street from First Street to a point
distant from the corner of said First Street not more than

274. Three hundred feet, three to connect with a pipe to be laid
Nov 25 1864 down on the property of the Boston Wharf Company or the
passage through said pipe of salt water to be used in said
Sugar Refinery for condensing purposes. Provided said Cottle
will report with the Auditor of Accounts a bond satisfactory
to the City Solicitor binding himself, his successors and as-
signs to remove said pipe at any time thereafter at his own
cost whenever it shall be deemed necessary by the Board of
Aldermen for the time being. Also, that whenever said pipe
may require to be relaid or repaired, or removed, said
work shall be done under the supervision and in a man-
ner satisfactory to the Superintendent of Streets for the time
being, at the expense of said Cottle his successors and as-
signs, who shall also be responsible for any damage which
may accrue to the abutments on said First and Granite
Streets, or to the Sewer, Water pipes or Gas pipes, or drains or ser-
vice pipes leading therefrom in their vicinity by the reason of
the construction of the said pipe for conducting salt water
or by reason of leaking therefrom. Said pipe to be laid down
under the direction and in a manner satisfactory to the
Superintendent of Streets. Read once.

City
Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent
of Streets be authorized to repair the gutter in City Street be-
tween Myrtle and Cambridge Street, and make such changes
in the grade of said Street, as he shall deem necessary,
and remove all such projections on the line of said Street
as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into
said Street, which are not secured in accordance with the

Ordinances of the City; and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owners or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost fifteen hundred dollars. Read once. 273
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Ordered, That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters on Joy Street between Myrtle Street and Cambridge Street, numbered 13 Myrtle Street and 35, 33, 31 and 29 Hancock Street and 53, 63, 67, 69, 77, 81, 83, 85, 68, 84, 82, 70, 64, 62, 58, 52, 48, 28, and 26 Joy Street to furnish new edging to support the sidewalk, within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law. Read once.

Ordered, That there be paid to William L. Poland and John Reed the sum of one thousand and five dollars and fifty cents, for land taken to widen Emerson Avenue upon their giving to the City a deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening streets. Read once. Poland Reed

Adjourned to Thursday next at eight o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on Thursday the twenty-sixth day of May, Anno Domini, 1864.
Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Warren, Stevens and Sprague.

Treasurer
chosen

Notice having been received from the Common Council of their concurrence in the resolution of this Board to form a convention at this hour for the choice of a City Treasurer, the two Branches assembled in
Convention

for that purpose, and Alderman Clapp and Messrs McCarthy and Gaffield having been appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for a City Treasurer, reported that the whole number was 48. Frederick H. Tracy had 47, John S. Tyler 1. So Mr. Tracy was accordingly re-elected.

The business of the Convention having been accomplished the two branches separated.

In Board of Aldermen.

Beacon

Street
nuisance

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises Nos. 22, 24, 26, 28 Beacon Street and No. 9 Park Street caused by a defective drain on said premises, belonging to Messrs Levi Bartlett, Henry G. Clark, Curtis B. Raymond, George Ticknor, and the Union Club, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed

ed to cause said nuisance to be abated by causing a new 27,
and sufficient drain to be constructed at the expense of said
parties who having been duly notified by him, have neglected
to abate said nuisance.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on
Monday the thirtieth day of May, Anno Domini, 1864.
Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Nash.

Petition of Thomas B. Williams	Williams
that the Bedford Street sewer may be continued up West Street to Mason Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.	

Petition of the Boston Total Abstinence Union that an officer be appointed to visit the sev- eral Police Stations and provide for any cases of drunkenness which may there be found in custody. Referred to the Commit- tee on Police.	Boston Total Abstinence Union
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Petition of A. Nelson & Co. & others that a sewer be laid in Fifth Street from K. to L. Streets. Refer- red to the Committee on Sewers.	Nelson &c
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Petition of A. Nelson that First Street be put in order near J. Street. Ref ^d to the Committee of Paving.	Nelson
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May 30, 1865

Hovey

that the Summer Street sewer may be deepened. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Notice from J. L. Rowe, Contractor

Rowe

House offal

for removal of House Offal that he desires a renewal of the contract for five years from January 1865. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Lewis

Petition of Winslow Lewis and

Northampton

Street

that the Northampton Street sewer may be repaired so as to abate a nuisance in that vicinity. Referred to the Committees on Sewers and Internal Health.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor.

Rodney F. Payrow, Henry M. Hunter, Edwin Smith, Samuel H. Richards, and Samuel Seville were appointed Police Officers of this City with all the powers of Constables except the power of serving and executing civil process.

Fire

Agreeably to the recommendation

Department

discharges

of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, the discharges of Benjamin Smith and George S. Chase from Engine No. 2. Benjamin Wright, Samuel Todd from Hook and Ladder Company No. 1. Charles B. Cory from Hook and Ladder No. 3 were approved by the Board.

Fire

Department

admissions

On nomination by the Mayor,

Martin F. Holden was appointed a member of Engine No. 1. Charles Riley was appointed Engine man of Engine No. 2 and John Lynam a member of Hook and Ladder Company No. 1.

N. Henry Crafts, City Engr. 279

since nominated to the Board as his Assistant Thomas
H. Larr, which nomination was approved by this Board. City Engineer
assistant.

Ordered, That due notice be
given that this Board will, on Tuesday, June 7, at 4 o'clock,
P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a
Common Sewer in Fourth Street, easterly of C. Street and of as-
sessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their
particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any
more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby. Any per-
son, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Petition of the School Com- East Boston
mittee that the proposed Grammar School House at East Boston Grammar School
be built upon plan of George Ropes, Jr. Referred to the Committee
on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence, June 2. Came
up concurred.

Petition of Benjamin Pope and Pope
C. and others that Tide Rock near Fort Point Channel may Tide Rock
be removed or buoyed. Referred to the Committee on the
Harbor. Sent down for concurrence, June 2. Came up concurred.

The ballots having been taken Auditor
and counted for an Auditor of Accounts it appeared that Elisha
Copeland was chosen. Sent down for concurrence, June 2. Came
up concurred.

Ordered: That the Trustees of Temp^l Home
Aunt Hope cemetery, be authorized to erect, grade and lay out
for Cemetery

280. to the Temporary Home for the Destitute "a suitable lot not less
May 31. 1864 than twenty feet square to be specially appropriated and set
apart for the burial of such persons as may die in that Institution. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred with this amendment at A. Strike
out 'less' and insert 'more'. Sent down for concurrence. June 2^d
Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor June 3^d 1864.

Charles Street
Baptist
Church

The Committee on Claims, to
whom was referred the petition of the Charles Street Baptist
Church to be compensated for damages done to their Organ
by water thrown by a Steam Fire Engine, respectfully Report
That upon a full examination of the matter the Committee,
and the petitioners themselves, became satisfied that the inju-
ry to the Organ was caused by a storm and not by a Steam
Fire Engine. The Committee therefore recommend that the pe-
titioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Otis Norcross,
Chairman Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.
June 2^d came up concurred.

East Boston

Ferry tolls

On motion of Alderman Nor-
cross the Board took from the table the report giving the
East Boston Ferry Company leave to withdraw on their petition
for an increase of tolls, and said report being City Doc. N^o 53,
was accepted by the Board.

Brown
contract
Ferdinand
Street.

On motion of Alderman Stand-
ish the Board took from the table the proposed contract be-
tween the City of Boston and E. and S. Brown respecting the
construction of a sewer and the construction of a bridge over
the Boston and Worcester Railroad near Columbus Avenue,—

and the question being on the approval of said contract. 281.
City Doc. No. 34, it was amended by inserting in the ninth line on page 5 after the word "city" or according to any other plan which may be satisfactory to the Committee of the City Council on the Buck Bay for the time being. Said contract as thus amended was then approved. Sent down for concurrence.

Alderman Dana moved to reconsider the vote whereby at the meeting of the Board on the 23^d instant the report and orders defining the duties of the Committee on Public Instruction were rejected, which motion prevailed and the question being on the passage of said order. Alderman Mercer moved that the subject be recommended to the Committee on Ordinances, which motion prevailed. Sent down for concurrence. June 2^d came up concurred.

The order submitted to the Board on the 23^d instant for the Superintendent of Streets to repair the gutter in Jay Street between Myrtle and Cambridge Streets was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor. May 30. 1864. Approved by the Mayor. May 30. 1864.

The order submitted to the Board on the 23^d instant for the Chief of Police to relieve certain abuttes on Jay Street between Myrtle and Cambridge Streets to furnish new edgeworks within twenty days was read a second time and passed.

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May 30. 1864. The order submitted to the Board on the 23^d instant to pay William C. Poland and John Paul one thousand and five dollars and fifty cents for land taken to widen Harrison Avenue was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor May 30. 1864.

Cottle The order submitted to the Board on the 23^d instant granting leave to Jonathan Cottle to lay down a six inch pipe under and across First Street for the purpose of conveying salt water to his Sugar Refinery on certain conditions therein prescribed, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 30. 1864.

Fluid contract On motion of Alderman Denio the order submitted to the Board on the 2^d instant which authorizes a contract to be made with Benjamin F. Hebard for supplying fluid for the Street Lamps, was taken from the table and was referred to the Committee on Lamps &c.

Water
Maine
Railroad Agreeably to assignment the Board took up the subject of the proposed change of motive power on the Boston and Maine Railroad east of Causeway Street. - L. H. Mason, Esq. appeared for sundry parties who advocated the proposed change from steam to horse power in that locality. - at the conclusion of the hearing, on motion of Alderman Denio the further consideration of the subject was postponed to Tuesday June 7. at 4 1/2 o'clock, P.M.

Whereas it appears to this 283

Board that a nuisance exists on premises 44 and 46 Low May 30. 1864.
at that caused by a defective drain on said premises,
belonging to J. L. Catledge and E. H. Rogers which is dangerous
to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the
Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to
cause said nuisance to be abated by cleansing and repair-
ing said drain at the expense of said parties, who, having
been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nu-
isance.

Lowell
Street

Whereas it appears to this

Board that a nuisance exists on premises 49-51 Billerica
Street caused by a defective drain on said premises, belong-
ing to Diantha Lane and Ann Farley which is dangerous
to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the
Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause
said nuisance to be abated by cleansing and repairing said
drain at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly
notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Billerica
Street.

Agreeably to notice Alderman

Stevens moved to reconsider the vote whereby on the sixteenth
instant an order was passed directing the Assessors to indi-
cate in the next Tax Book the persons who remove from this
city about May 1st to avoid their taxes. Said motion to recon-
sider was laid on the table.

Non-residents
Tax book

On petition of Grace Church for

abatement of assessment for construction of a sidewalk in
Temple Street, the Committee on Paving reported that the

Grace
Church

284 petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

May 30, 1864
Second Hand
Articles

The following persons were licensed to deal in Second Hand Articles, A. Aaronson 45 Salem Street, Barnard Callahan, 12 Dorchester Avenue.

Market-
Lease.

Agreeably to the report of the committee on the Market lease was granted to Lauriston Groat to transfer the lease of Hall No. 10 New Faneuil Hall Market to Frye and Moulton.

M. & Hon.

~~W. Company~~ ~~and~~ ~~Structural~~ ~~Ironing~~ ~~Company~~ to occupy the parade ground on Boston Common on June 8th to celebrate their anniversary.

Atkinson

Leave was granted to Atkinson and Kinckson to give Dramatic Exhibitions at the Tremont Theatre for the present season.

Quincy
School
House

The committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the petition of the Quincy School District Committee that blinds be placed upon the Quincy School House, have considered the same, and recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the committee, Daniel Davies, Chairman. Ordered: That the committee on Public Buildings be and they hereby are authorized to place blinds upon the east, south and west sides of the upper stories of the Quincy School House, at a cost not exceeding six hundred and twenty five dollars, the same to be charged to the appropriation for Public Buildings. Read once.

Ordered: That the Superin= 285

tendent of Streets be authorized to repair North Centre Street, May 30. 1864.
and make such changes in the grade of said Street, as he North
shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on Centre
the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also Street
to close all openings into said Street, which are not secured
in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those
which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become
dangerous, and which the owners or occupants have refused
to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost, fourteen
hundred dollars. Read once.

Ordered, That the Chief of North Centre
Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters of estates Street
on North Centre Street numbered 167, and 78 Hanover Street, edgestones.
78, 85, 89, 93, 95, 101, 105, 109, 113 and 115 Blackstone Street and 14,
12, 13, 9, 7, 5, and 8 North Centre Street, to furnish new edgestones
to support the sidewalk, within twenty days. And that, in
default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their
expense, according to law. Read once.

Ordered, That the Super- Finckney
intendent of Streets be authorized to repair the gutter Finckney
in Finckney Street between Madison and Myrtle Street and Street
make such changes in the grade of said Street, as he shall gutter
deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street
which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances
of the City; and those which are so much out of repair as
to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owners
or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that
effect. Estimated cost, eleven hundred dollars. Read once

Ordered, That the Chief of

Pinckney
Street
Adopted

Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters of lots on Pinckney Street, numbered 4, 9, 11, 15, 17, 21, 23, 18, 31, 33, 37, 41, 38, 45, 51, 53, 55, 57, 63, and 65, to furnish new edge-stones to support the sidewalk, within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law. *Read once.*

Adjourned to Tuesday, June 7, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on Tuesday the seventh day of June, 1864.
Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Adams, Clapp, Nash and Warren.

Van Amburgh

Petition of Van Amburgh & Co for leave to exhibit a banner on the Fair Grounds from July 1st next. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Rivers

Petition of Rivers and Derious for leave to exhibit a circus company at the corner of South Street and Harrison Avenue on June 26, 27, and 28. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Worcester

Petition of Boston and Worcester

Railroad

Company for leave to erect a stable for more than four horses on South Street. Referred to the Committee

lee on Internal Health.

287.

Petition of Night Soil Contractors June 7. 1864.
that that a new contract be made between the City and them
Selves. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health. Night Soil Contractors.

Petition of Charles N. Tyler for Tyler.
leave to supply the City Street Lamps with a combination
oil under his patent. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Petition of Ladies Am. Home Education Society. Ladies Am.
Statement of taxes of 1863 on estate Home Education
23-25. Albany Street, occupied by said petitioners. Referred to Society
the Committee on the Assessors' Department.

Petition of Charles Meade Meade
and others that F. Street may be extended from Goddard
Street to Sullivan Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Thomas C. Amory Amory.
and others owners of estate on Temple Place that said Temple Place
may be accepted as a public highway and extended
to Washington Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of the Church Union Church Union
by J. D. Huntington and others for leave to hold religious
meetings upon the Common on the afternoons of Sunday
through June, July, and August. Referred to the Committee
on the Common &c.

June 7, 1864.
Williams

Petition of George F. Williams
and others that Worcester Square may be put in order.
Referred to the Committee on the Common &c.

Dexter

Petition of Thomas A. Dexter
and others that Washington Street, between Blackstone and
Franklin Squares, may be sprinkled. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Common &c.

Farwell

Petition of Lyman Farwell
for damages occasioned to his estate on Brookline Street in
consequence of the change of grade therein. Referred to the
Committee on Paving.

Ludley

Petition of George P. Ludley for
leave to open a cellar way to his estate on Lexington Street
near Brooks Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Garrett

Petition of David Garrett & others
that the name of Hanson Street be changed to Winthrop Street.
Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Boston & Chelsea
Railroad

Petition of the Boston & Chelsea
Railroad Company for a location over the Middlesex Rail
Road and around Scollay's Building and through Corn-
hill &c. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Pice

Petition of M. Pice to be com-
pensated for injuries done to his carriage by a switch of the
Metropolitan Railroad tracks in Boylston Street. Referred to
the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Lewis Briggs, Engr 289

owner of Steam Fire Engine No 2 to be repaired money paid June 7 1864
a substitute under the Fire Ordinance. Referred to the Committee Briggs
on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. June 9. Came up con-
curred

Petition of Samuel B. Livermore Livermore

more and other Weighers of Hay for increase of compensation. Hay
Referred to Aldermen Lewis and Plimish with such as the Weighers
Common Council may join. Sent down for concurrence. June 9.
Came up concurred and Messrs Woodbury, J. F. Richardson and
Holman were joined.

Ordered, That the Committee Taxes

on Ordinances consider the expediency of amending the Ordinance.
Ordinance concerning the assessment and collection of taxes Per Diem
so that the compensation of Per Diem Assessors may be in- Assessors
creased one dollar per day. Passed in Common Council. Came
up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the
Mayor June 7. 1864.

Ordered: That the following Bills

bills for services rendered, or materials furnished, by persons to be paid
connected, directly or indirectly with the City Government
be paid, provided they are approved and allowed in the
usual manner; viz: Eaton, Cummings & Co eight hundred
and thirty one dollars. M^r Hay and Alder five hund-
red and ninety six dollars and sixty-one cents. J. Crosby
three hundred and seventy two dollars and fourteen cents.
M^r Carpenter two hundred and fifty nine dollars and ninety
two cents. N. Adams, one hundred and seventy-one dol-
lars and twenty four cents. &c. &c. thirty nine three dollars

290 M. Wightman fifty-nine dollars and eighty-eight cents.
June 7, 1864. A. H. Felt sixty-five dollars and ninety-six
cents. Meas forty-seven dollars and twenty-five cents. Passed
in Common Council came up for concurrence. Read and con-
curred. Approved by the Mayor June 7, 1864.

East Boston

Grammar

School House

The Committee on Public

Buildings who were directed by an order of the City Coun-
cil to purchase ~~city~~ land and ~~square~~ ^{acres} at the
corners of Bennington, Prescott and Saratoga Streets at a
price not exceeding twenty eight cents per square foot provid-
ed that, in their judgement, the price is not above a fair
cash value and to erect a Grammar School House thereon,
have considered the subject and respectfully report: that
the price demanded for the lot of land in question is in their
judgement much above the fair value of the land and
they have therefore deemed it inexpedient to effect its pur-
chase and they recommend they recommend that au-
thority be given to said Committee to procure another lot
in the vicinity of the one in question at a lower price, and
for that purpose they ask the passage of the following order
For the Committee, Daniel Davies, Chairman. Ordered: That
the Committee on Public Buildings be and they are hereby
authorized to purchase in the vicinity of Prescott, Sarato-
ga and Bennington Streets, a lot of land which shall be
satisfactory to said Committee and the School Committee,
containing not less than forty thousand square feet at
a price which shall be approved by said Committees
and to erect thereon a Grammar School House upon plans

approved by the Committee on Public Instruction at a cost 291
not exceeding Sixty Thousand Dollars. Ordered: That the ex- June 7, 1864
penditure authorized in the foregoing order be charged to the
Loan authorized on the 26th of May for the purchase of land
and the erection of a School House thereon at the corners of
Bennington, Prescott and Saratoga Streets. Passed in Common
Council. Yeas 40. Nays none. Came up for concurrence Read
and this Board concurred therein, Yeas Aldermen Dana, Da-
vis, Jenie, Ward, Messinger, Slocum, Haynes, Hamilton, Sw-
ens. 9. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor June 7, 1864.

Ordered: That Aldermen No. Bonds
crop and Messinger with such as the Common Council
may join be a Committee to make the annual examination City Officers
of the bonds of the several City Officers. Sent down for concur-
rence. June 9. Came up concurred and Messrs Haynes, Putnam
and Elliot were joined. Approved by the Mayor June 10, 1864.

The report and order sub- Quincy
mitted at the last meeting of the Board authorizing the School House
Committee on Public Buildings to place blinds on the win- blinds.
dows of the Quincy School House were read a second time
and passed. Sent down for concurrence. June 9. Came up con-
curred. Approved by the Mayor June 10, 1864.

Ordered: That the utility Barrett
convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Street
Barrett Street should be widened, and for that purpose it Rice,
is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way Heathway

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June 7. 1864. of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to the Heirs of
Mrs. Elisha Hathaway (William Rice, Trustee) bounded as fol-
lows, viz: Northeastwardly by the proposed line of widening
said street containing forty five feet and $\frac{22}{100}$; South-
eastwardly by Fulton Street one foot and $\frac{36}{100}$; Southwest-
wardly by the present line of Barrett Street forty five feet and
 $\frac{100}{100}$; and Northwestwardly by the same two feet and $\frac{38}{100}$;
containing eighty four square feet and $\frac{5}{100}$ more or less. And
whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this
Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose afore-
said, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is there-
fore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and
the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street
a way of the said City according to a plan of the said
widening made by T. Henry Craft, City Engineer dated May
2^d 1864 and deposited in the office of the said Board of In-
dormen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of
widening the said Barrett Street, as aforesaid, will a-
mount to four hundred and twenty two and $\frac{59}{100}$ dollars;
which sum together with the amount of estimates of spe-
cial alterations or discontinuances in said street, during
the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five
thousand dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved by the
Mayor June 7. 1864.

Rice
Hathaway
Barrett
Street

Ordered, That there be paid to
William Rice, trustee of the estate of Mrs. Hathaway, the
sum of Four hundred and twenty two and $\frac{59}{100}$ dollars
for land taken to widen Barrett Street, upon his giving to
the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and dis-

charge in full for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 7. 1864.

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June 7. 1864.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to repave North Centre Street at an estimated cost of fourteen hundred dollars was read a second time & passed. Approved by the Mayor June 7. 1864.

North Centre

Street
repave

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Chief of Police to notify the owners of lots 167 North Centre Street, and 78 Hanover St. 78. 85. 89. 93. 95. 101. 105. 109. 113 and 115 Blackstone Street and 14. 12. 13. 9. 7. and 8. North Centre Street, to furnish edgestones was read a second time and passed.

North Centre

Street
edgestones

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to repave the gutters in Pinckney Street between Anderson and Joy Streets was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 7. 1864.

Pinckney

Street
gutters

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Chief of Police to notify the owners of lots numbered 4. 9. 11. 15. 17. 21. 23. 18. 31. 30. 37. 41. 38. 45. 51. 53. 55. 57. 63. 65 Pinckney Street to furnish new edgestones was read a second time and passed.

Pinckney

Street
edgestones

A person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a sewer in Fourth Street east of C. Street, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers.

Fourth

Street

1864.

June 7, 1864

Gas

The State Inspector of Gas sub-

milled his report on the condition of the gas furnished for the city for the month of May 1864. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Boston & Maine

Railroad

matter

power

Agreeably to assignment the

Board took up the subject of the proposed change of motive power on the Boston and Maine Rail Road east of Causeway.

That the question being on the passage of the order recorded page 217, changing steam power to horse power and providing for the removal of the gates on Causeway and Havers Streets. Alderman Denio demanded the Yeas and Nays: thereon which were taken as follows viz: Yeas Aldermen Denio, Davis, Hastings, Sprague, Stern; 5. Nays Aldermen Dana, Marsh, Norcross, Standish, 4. So said order was passed.

(See page 301)

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on Monday the thirteenth day of June, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present-

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Clapp & Sprague.

Tucker

Petition of George Tucker & others that the city would accept from them the present of the flag-staff and flag now ornamenting Central Square. Referred

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Petition of the Broadway Rail Road

Broadway
Railroad

company for leave to extend their location by the construction of tracks in Broadway to L Street, through L Street to South Street in L Street to Eighth and in Eighth, Scotland, & Fifth and L Streets to Fourth Street to connect with the Metropolitan Railroad tracks in Dorchester Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of the Metropolitan

Metropolitan
Railroad

Railroad company for leave to extend their location by constructing tracks through Fourth Street from Dorchester Avenue to and over Low Street bridge and for an additional track on Washington Street near Roxbury line - also for extension of double track on Federal Street and Broad Street - also for a track in bottom of Summer Street as far as Lincoln Street - also for a track through Charles Street from Boylston to Cambridge Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petitions of William Minot &

Minot

27 others of Charles E. Kendall and 35 others of O. W. Holmes and 40 others resident on Charles Street and vicinity in aid of the foregoing petition of the Metropolitan Railroad company. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Holmes

Kendall

Petition of John Rindle for a

Rindle

Common Sewer in I Street from Fifth to Sixth Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers

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Lennison

abutters on Middlesex Street that the drain in said street, which is now stopped up, may be renewed. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Reed

Petition of Ruben Reed & others

that Elm Street may be widened at Nos 30, 32, 34. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Bradford

Petition of John R. Bradford

Thruweigher at the North Gate for increase of compensation. Referred to the Special Committee on fees of Weighers and Inspectors of Goods & Hay. Sent down for concurrence. June 16. Came up concurred.

Overseers

The Committee on Overseers of

of the
Poor

the Poor, who were directed to nominate suitable persons for Overseers of the Poor, under Chap. 120 of the Acts of 1844, respectfully recommend the election of the following-named persons: To hold office until the first Monday of April 1867. Robert C. Kentrup, Joseph Buckley, George Lehigh, George A. Thins. To hold office until the first Monday of April 1866. Francis E. Parker, William V. Lawrence, John W. Warren, Martin Giffin. To hold office until the first Monday of April 1865. Thomas C. Amey, Jr. Richard, Samuel Newmarch, William B. Spencer. Respectfully submitted, for the Committee, Chas. Norcross, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence June 16. Came up concurred.

Overseers

of the
Poor

The ballots having been taken

and counted for a Board of Overseers of the Poor for this city, it appeared that the following persons were unanimously chosen, viz: To hold office until the first Monday of April 1867.

Robert C. Burleigh, John French, John L. Latham, Ebenezer H. 297
Kin. To hold office until the first Monday of April 1866 Jan June 13. 1864
at E. Parker, William B. Lawrence, John W. Warren, Martin Griff
fin. To hold office until the first Monday of April 1866. Home
C. Amory, Jr. Joel Richards, Samuel Newmarch, William B. Spoon-
er. Sent down for concurrence June 16. Came up concurred.

The Committee on Public Build- French.

ings to whom was referred the petition of Warren French
for the use of the Old Franklin Choc. House for an armory
for the Battery of Light Artillery commanded by him, having
considered the subject respectfully Report: That the building in
question is so fully occupied by the City for school and com- Battery
and recruiting purposes that it will be inexpedient to grant of Light
the prayer of the petitioner. But the Committee recommend Artillery
that a part of the new Hook and Ladder House, on the corner
of Harrison Avenue and Malden Street, which is well adapt
ed for the purpose be granted to the petitioner for the purpose
of an armory and they therefore submit the accompanying or-
der. For the Committee, Daniel Davies, Chairman. Ordered: That
the use of a part of the Hook and Ladder House at the corner
of Harrison Avenue and Malden Street be granted to War-
ren French and the Corps under his command for the pur-
pose of an armory or other place of deposit of the guns, e-
quipment and equipage of a Light Artillery Battery. Passed
in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and
concurred. Approved by the Mayor June 15. 1864.

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 Overseers
 of the
 Poor
 Ordinance

as who were directed to report an Ordinance to carry out the provisions of Chapter 128. of the Acts of 1864, relating to the Overseers of the Poor, submit the accompanying Ordinance. For the Committee, C. F. Dana, Chairman. "An Ordinance relating to the Overseers of the Poor". See City Document 55. Passed in Common Council with this amendment in Section 7. between the words "with" and "such" insert "a statement of all moneys, property or investments remaining in their hands and" came up for concurrence. Read and this Board concurred therein. Approved by the Mayor June 15. 1864.

Salary
 Bill

amendments

The Common Council having amended the Salary Bill by making the following amendments therein: viz: in Section 2. Insert \$700 per year after Clerk insert "\$1000 of which sum shall be allowed and paid to his principal book keeper." Sect. 9. Insert eighteen instead of sixteen. Section 11. Insert fourteen instead of thirteen. Section 15. Insert four instead of three. Section 16. After \$800 insert "and fifty". Section 18. Insert eleven hundred dollars instead of one thousand dollars. also three dollars and fifty cents instead of three dollars and twenty five cents. also at A. B. three dollars instead of two dollars and seventy five cents. also at C. D. two dollars and seventy five cents instead of two dollars and fifty cents. also at E. F. three dollars instead of two dollars and seventy five cents. also at G. H. two dollars and fifty cents instead of two dollars and twenty five cents. Section 21. Insert fifteen hundred dollars instead of sixteen hundred and fifty. Section 23. Add these words "and he shall

account to the City Treasurer for all sums of money received 299
by him in his official capacity. Section 27. Insert four instead June 13/1866
of three. Section 28. Insert eleven hundred instead of one thousand
and Section 29. Insert seventeen instead of fifteen. Section 30. In-
sert fifteen instead of thirteen. Section 31. Insert nine instead of
seven. Section 32. Insert seven instead of six. Section 33. Insert
three instead of two. Section 35. Insert section instead of
fifteen, also insert four hundred instead of three hundred &
fifty, also at W.W. insert two hundred instead of one hundred
and seventy-five; at W.L. insert one hundred and seventy five
for one hundred and fifty; at M. and N. insert one hundred &
fifty instead of one hundred and twenty five; at O. insert eighty
for seventy-five; at P. insert seventy for sixty; at P. insert six-
ty for fifty-five; at R.R. insert two hundred for one hundred
and seventy-five; at S.S. insert one hundred and seventy-
five for one hundred and fifty; at T.T. insert sixty for fifty-five;
at U.U. insert two hundred for one hundred and seventy-five;
at V.V. insert one hundred and seventy-five for one hundred
and fifty. Section 36. Insert eighteen for seventeen.
Section 39. Insert four instead of three. Said action came up for
concurrence. Read and assigned for Monday next and the
above amendments were ordered to be printed.

Ordered, That due notice be giv- Lehigh
en that this Board will, on Monday, next, at four o'clock Street
P.M., take into consideration the expediency of repairing the
Common Sewer in Lehigh Street, between Exchange Street and
Albany Street, and of assessing the expense thereof on all

See person, who may enter their particular Sains into such
and to hold Limmen Fever, or who, by any more unde means, shall
wear any benefit thereby; the person, making objections
thereof, will then and there be heard.

Quarantine

Ordered, That from the
first day of July, until the first day of November next,
all vessels arriving at this Port, which have any sickness on
board, or which may have had any such sickness during the
voyage, or which may have come from any place where
malignant diseases at any time prevail, shall be requir-
ed to report themselves to the Port Physician, at Quarantine,
before proceeding to the City. No vessel coming within the a-
bove named conditions, can leave Quarantine or discharge
her cargo or any part thereof without the written permit of
the Port Physician, who is hereby authorized and instructed
to take any measures, in regard to such vessels, and to make
such rules and regulations for their government, while in Quar-
antine, as in his judgement the security of the health of the
City may require. And for the permit aforesaid, the said
Port Physician shall have the right to demand and re-
ceive from each vessel, her master, or owners, the fee which it has
been customary to charge at this Port in like cases. Ordered, That
the Harbor Master and the Chief of Police be and they are here-
by directed to cause the provisions of the foregoing order to be strict-
ly enforced.

Batterymarch
Street

Ordered, That the Chief of Police
be directed to notify the owner or owners of the estate on Bat-
terymarch Street, formerly known as the "Gun Tavern" to re-
move all projections over the line of said Batterymarch

Street within seven days of the date of this order, and if
not removed within the time above specified then the Superin-
tendent of Streets is directed to cause the obstructions over said
line to be removed at the expense of said owners.

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Alderman Marsh moved to reconsider the vote whereby at the last meeting, the Board ordered that the motive power on the Boston and Maine Rail Road east of Causeway Street, should be changed from Steam power to Horse. Alderman Denis moved to lay said motion on the table, which motion was lost. The question then recurring on Alderman Marsh's motion it was adopted by the following vote. Yeas Aldermen Sand, Marsh, Smith, Trevelyan, Hamilton, Warren & Hux. Nays Aldermen Davis, Denis, DeLingue, and Stevens. 4. The question then being on the passage of said order as recorded page 217, its further consideration was assigned for Monday next.

Boston & Maine
Railroad

William G. Dearborn and B. F. Shand were appointed Weighers of Coal in this City.

Coalweighers

Leave was granted to Van Amburgh & Co. to exhibit a Menagerie on the Fair Grounds for one week from July 1st 1864.

Van Amburgh

Leave was granted to Rivers and Derious to give a Circus Performance at corner of Newton Street and Harrison Avenue, June 20. 21. 22.

Rivers

On petition of George P. Dudley for leave to open a cellarway to his estate on Lexington

Dudley

302. That the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw.

June 13. 1864 Read and accepted.

Stable
Boston & Worcester
Railroad
Leave was granted to the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Company to erect a Stable for more than four horses on South Street near Schhigh Street.

Boston &
Chelsea
Railroad
The Committee on Paving reported the following order of location to the Boston and Chelsea Rail Road Company:— In accordance with the provisions of an Act of the General Court of Massachusetts passed March 3, 1864 and of an Act passed 1854 Chapter 445 the Boston & Chelsea Railroad Company and their lessees are hereby authorized to enter upon and use with its horses and cars the tracks of the Middlesex Railroad so in Beverly Street, Haymarket Square, Milton Street, Tremont Row, Washington Street, Dock Square, Union Street and Charlestown Street and those of the Metropolitan Railroad Company in Court Street and Cornhill, for the purpose of transporting passengers to and from "Scollays building", so called in Court Street and Tremont Row and the Warren and Charlestown Bridges, for such rates of compensation as may be agreed upon with the said parties; or determined by the provisions of said Act. The right to run said cars by the Boston and Chelsea Railroad Company and their lessees is granted under the express proviso and condition that said Company hereby agrees to comply with the general rules and regulations which the Board of Aldermen have adopted, or shall from time to time adopt, to govern the running of horse cars. Also under the further express proviso and condition, that said Boston and Chelsea

Railroad company and their lessees shall be subject to 303
such rules, regulations and restrictions as to the running June 13. 1864.
of cars authorized by this order as the Board of Aldermen
shall from time to time establish. And, under the further
express power and condition, that if the Boston and Maine
Railroad Company does not accept this privilege and reg-
ulation, and agree to comply with its provisions and condi-
tions, in writing, within twenty days from the date of its
passage, and file said acceptance with the City Clerk, the
same shall be null and void. Read once

Whereas, it appears to this Board that a necessity exists for the construction of a
sewer, in Fourth Street east of O Street, and that public
notice of such intention has been given, it is hereby Order
ed, That the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby
directed to construct a common sewer in said Fourth Street,
and to report a schedule of the expense thereof to this Board,
pursuant to law. Read once

Fourth
Street
sewer

Adjourned to Tuesday next (tomorrow) at 4 o'clock P.M.

Tuesday June 14. 1864.

This being the day assigned for a convention of this
Board with the School Committee for the purpose of electing
a member of said Committee in place of George H. Hall of
Walden resigned. the following members of the Board were

No quorum

304 present - Aldermen Norcross, Marsh, Messinger, Standish, Davie, Nash.

After waiting nearly half an hour for a quorum the Board adjourned.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on Wednesday the fifteenth day of June, Anno Domini, 1864.
Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Clapp, Sprague, Dana, Nash and Norcross.

Jurors

Five traverse Jurors were drawn for the Superior / Criminal Court.

Smith

On the petition of Stephen Smith for leave to erect a Steam Engine in a building on Canton and Fabin Streets, it was Ordered, that fourteen days notice be given to the petitioner & all parties interested that this Board will on Tuesday the fifth day of July next at four o'clock, P.M. take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the above petition, when and where parties who object thereto may appear and be heard. - Said notice is to be given by publication of a copy of said petition and this order of notice thereon in the Daily Herald.

Lombard

Petition of Henry J. Lombard to be paid for damages sustained by his stock of goods in their store on Clinton Street by reason of the Conscript Riot on July last. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent

down for concurrence.

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June 15. 1864

Ordered, That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to assign to Sophia B. Horr of Needham the mortgage deed given to the City of Boston by James Morton June 10. 1856 and recorded with Norfolk Deeds Lib. 247. Fol. 10. for the consideration of four hundred and sixty $\frac{80}{100}$ dollars paid by said Horr to said City.

Mortgage assigned

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on Monday the twentieth day of June, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petition of Owen Gerghagen Gerghagen

for leave to give a Sparring Exhibition at 2 Portland Street, June 27 1864. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of David Chamberlain Chamberlain

and others that the switch of the Dorchester Avenue Rail Road in Federal Street may be removed to some more convenient location. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of the Metropolitan

and 20. 1864. Railroad Company for leave to run "dummy" engine on their tracks in South St. Avenue from South St. to South St. line, and on Tremont and Washington Streets from Dover Street to Roxbury Line. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Winthrop

Petition of the Winthrop Rail

Road

and Company for acceptance of their Charter. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Cheever

Petition of James Cheever and

others that the sign projecting from No. 21 Somerset Street may be removed. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Aged

Petition of the Association for

Intelligent

Females

the relief of Aged Intelligent Females that the wall at the foot of Beech Street may be removed. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Richardson

A protest of Thomas Richardson

Batterymarch

Street

against the proposed removal of a projection in front of the Sun Tavern' estate on Batterymarch Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Provident

Remonstrance of the Provident

Institution

for Savings

Institution for Savings against the contemplated extension of Temple Place into Washington Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Thomas

Petition of Alexander Thomas

and others that certain obstructions over the line of Barrett Street near the Reed estate may be removed. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

No person appearing to ob- 30
ject to the proposed construction of a Sewer in Lehigh Street June 20. 1864.
from Orange to Albany Streets, the subject was recommended Lehigh Street
to the Committee on Sewers.

Whereas Nathaniel J. Brad- Temple
lee, agent for Hogg, Brown and Taylor has given notice Place.
to this Board of their intention to erect buildings on Nos 293. Hogg.
to 305 Washington Street, in the said City; and, in the opin- Dexter.
ion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the in- Godman.
habitants require that Temple Place should be extended at
the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby
Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Hogg, Brown &
Taylor, and to W. L. Dexter and others, Trustees of the estate of
Catherine W. Godman, that this Board intend to extend the
Place before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now
about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same
as a public street and that Monday, the twenty seventh day
of June at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hear-
ing any objections which may be made thereto.

Ordered: That the Treasurer Temporary
be and he is hereby authorized to borrow under the direction Loan.
of the Committee on Finance a sum not exceeding Two Mil-
lion of Dollars in anticipation of the income of the present
financial year, and that all moneys obtained under this
order be made payable on or before the 30th day of April 1865.
the close of the present financial year. Read twice and passed.
Yeas Aldermen Clapp, Dana, Davis, Denis, Marsh, Messinger,
Nash, Service, Tundish, Warren, Warren H. Says none. Aye

308 Alderman Sprague. Sent down for concurrence. June 23rd

June 20. 1864. Came up concurred Yards 35. Approved by the Mayor June 24. 1864

Brown
Contract

The Common Council having amended the Brown Contract, so called, which was approved by this Board on the thirtieth of May last. by striking out at B.C. "thence westwardly by said last mentioned land" and by inserting "and seventy eight feet two and one half inches further in the same direction thence westwardly by the line drawn on said plan" also by striking out at A. the amendment there inserted by this Board on May 30, as recorded on page 281. said action came up for concurrence. Read and this Board concurred therein. Approved by the Mayor June 20. 1864

Institutions
vacancy

Notice having been received from the Board of Directors for Public Institutions that a vacancy exists in said Board caused by the death of James Riley whose term of service would expire in January 1866, it was referred to Aldermen Norcross and Messinger with such as the Common Council may join to nominate a suitable person to fill the vacancy. Sent down for concurrence. June 23rd came up concurred and Messrs Gayfield, Richardson of Ward 8, and Pratt were joined.

Mayhew
School
estate

An order of the School Committee directing the attention of the City Council to the fact that a Stable is to be erected on the estate adjoining the Mayhew School Estate which would affect the school was referred in Common Council to the Committee on Public

Instruction. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. 309.

June 20, 1864.

An order of the School Committee requesting repairs to be made in the yard of the Primary School House on South Margin Street, was referred in Common Council to the Committee on Public Instruction. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Primary

School House

South Margin

Street.

An order of the School Committee requesting that an fence may be erected on the front and a portion of the east side of the General Street Primary School House, was referred in Common Council to the Committee on Public Instruction. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Primary

School House

General Street

Ordered: That the Auditor of Accounts be hereby authorized to make his annual statement of all the receipts and expenditures for the past financial year as required by the fifteenth section of the Ordinance on Finance, in print, and that there be appended thereto copies of the Treasurer's Accounts as usual. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Auditor's

Report.

Ordered: That the usual number [of copies of the foregoing report] be distributed among the inhabitants of the City for their information in conformity with the requirement of the fifty first section of the City Charter. In Common Council. Read and referred to the Committee on Printing. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Auditor's

Report

June 20. 1864
 Pull
 Night Soil
 Contract

The Committee on Internal Health to whom was referred the petition of John Pull and others, contractors for removing night soil would respectfully report in view of the action taken by the petitioners your Committee are in favor of altering the prices as asked for, but that they cannot take action in the matter until the Ordinance in relation to Public Health is altered, they therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order.

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances report an ordinance amending the ordinance relating to Public Health, providing an amendment to Section 47 of said Ordinance to strike out the portion of said section which require a certain rule or arrangement for prices to be made between different periods of the year, and instead thereof to leave the time to be determined by the Board of Aldermen. For the Committee, G. W. Messinger, Chairman Read and referred to the Committee on Ordinances. Sent down for concurrence. June 23^d came up concurred.

Police Officer
 for examining
 cases of
 Intemperance

The Committee on Police, to whom was referred the petition of the Boston Total Abstinence Union that an officer be appointed to visit the Police Stations for the purpose of examining and assisting persons arrested for drunkenness, have examined the subject, and believing that much good may be accomplished by the appointment of such an officer, recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, Otis Norcross, Chairman. Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor be requested to appoint a suitable person as a Police Officer whose special duty it shall be to visit at the Station House

is all persons arrested for simple drunkenness, and to give them such counsel and assistance as may be to their moral and physical advantage. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 25. 1864.

Ordered: That the joint Special Committee on the subject of Back Bay Lands be and they are hereby empowered to execute on behalf of the City of Boston the contract with J. E. and N. Brown respecting the conveyance of certain lands and the construction of a new street described on a plan by Alexander Wadsworth dated September 14. 1863, and a bridge over the Boston and Worcester Railroad in accordance with the draft of said contract recently approved by the City Council. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to borrow under the direction of the Committee on Finance the sum of Fifty Four Thousand dollars for the purpose of defraying the expense to be incurred in the execution of the terms of the contract between the City of Boston and Messrs. J. E. and N. Brown approved by the City Council June 20. 1864. Read twice and passed. Yeas 41. Nays none. Present Aldermen Chappin and Lucie; Denis, Marsh, Messinger, Nash, Norcross, Standish, Stevens, Warren II. Nays none. Absent Alderman Spague. Sent down for concurrence. June 23. Came up concurred Yeas 35. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor June 23. 1864.

Brown
Contract

Loan

The order submitted to the Board on the thirteenth instant for the construction of a sewer in Fourth Street between of C. Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 23. 1864.

Fourth
Street

June 20. 1864
Boston &
Chelsea
Railroad

The order submitted to the Board on the thirteenth instant establishing a location around Scollay's Building for the Boston and Chelsea Rail Road was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 23^d 1864.

Inspector
of
Milk

Ordered: That the salary of the Inspector of Milk in the City of Boston be fixed until otherwise ordered at the sum of Nine hundred dollars per annum, payable quarterly, to commence April 1. 1864. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 23. 1864.

Special
Police
4th of July

Ordered: That His Honor, the Mayor be authorized to nominate to this Board for approval such number of Special Police Officers not exceeding three hundred as he shall deem necessary for the preservation of the peace of the City on the third and fourth days of July next. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 23^d 1864.

Salary
Bill

Agreeably to assignment the Board took up the Salary Bill, but the consideration of the subject was further postponed to Monday next at four and a half o'clock P.M.

Boston & Maine
Railroad
motive
power.

Agreeably to assignment the Board took up the subject of the proposed change of motive power on the Boston and Maine Rail Road and the question being on the passage of the order introduced on the 2^d day of May last. it was indefinitely postponed, on motion of William South.

Ordered: That the Superin- 313

tendent of Hacks be ordered to notify owners and drivers of June 20. 1861
Hacks who have not complied with the requirements of the City Ordinance (which provides that the local signs shall be posted in the Hacks), that unless immediate attention is given to the same the licenses of said Hacks will be revoked.

In order to prevent acci- Streets
dents, and for the convenience of the citizens during the day and evening of July 4. 1861, it is Ordered, That the following arrangements be made in regard to carriages &c.
At ten o'clock A.M., all carriages will be excluded from the street through which the Municipal Procession will pass.
At six o'clock P.M., all carriages, vehicles, refreshment stands, &c. will be excluded from Tremont Street at School and Beacon Streets, Bromfield at Province Street, Winter at Washington Street, West at Washington Street, Avery at Washington Street, Boylston Street and Square at Washington Street; Tremont at Eliot Street; Pleasant at Providence Street; Western Avenue at River Street; Charles at Chestnut Street; Walnut at Mount Vernon Street; Mount Vernon at Temple Street; Bowdoin at Beacon Hill, and Beacon Street at Somerset Street, until after the fire works are discharged and the people have left the Common.

On the petition of the Church Common.
Union for leave to hold religious meetings on the Common Church Union
on Sabbath afternoons the Committee on the Common reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Senat. Coleman was up.

June 20. 1864. pointed a fireman of boat within the city
boatwrights

Ordered: That the Committee on
Fire Department be and they are hereby authorized to pur-
chase for the use of that department twelve hundred feet
of leather landing hose, at an expense not exceeding nineteen
hundred and fifty dollars. Read once.

Boston & Maine
Railroad
speed.

Ordered: That the third condi-
tion of the order passed Dec. 24. 1862 in relation to the motive
power to be used by the Boston and Maine Railroad compa-
ny in crossing Causeway and Travers Streets be amend-
ed and altered so that trains crossing said streets may move at
a rate of speed not greater than ten miles an hour. Read
once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall
on Wednesday the twenty-first day of June Anno Domini 1864.
Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen. Hes-
singer, Sprague, Nash and Denis.

Jurors

Four Grand and two Petit
Jurors were drawn for the United States District Court.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of 315

Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on June 27, 1864
Monday the twenty seventh day of June. Ann Exmini, 1864
Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Twenty-two Grand Jurors Jurors
and thirty-one Haverse Jurors were drawn for the Superior
Criminal Court.

Petition of John Marshall Marshall
to be compensated for damages occasioned to his estate
by change of grade at 111 111 Backline Street. Referred to
The Committee on Paving.

Petition of S. J. Bacon that Bacon
the Board would reconsider its action on his former peti-
tion and allow him to lay down a pipe under Concord
Street for the conveyance of water to his manufactory
Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of the Suffolk Suffolk
Railroad Company for an extension of their location through
Bryant, Beakay, Church and Charles Streets also in Ancient
Street as far as Church Street. Referred to the Committee on
Paving.

Petition of John W. Hovey and Hovey
that that Ohio Place may be lighted with Gas. Referred to
the Committee on Lamps

Petition of John Collins that Collins
the Second Street Sewer may be extended towards B. Street.
Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

June 27. 1864. *Petition of Charles E. Russ and others that Water Street may be widened at the corner of Broad Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.*

Lyford

Petition of Thomas Lyford W. and others that the proposed removal of certain buildings, projecting over the line of Burnett Street may be effected. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Watson

Petition of A. A. Watson & others that La Grange Place be extended to Tremont Street as proposed for by E. K. Singley and others. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

*Temple
Place*

No person appearing to object to the proposed extension of Temple Place to Washington Street by taking land of H. I. Lester and others, tract of Catherine W. Redman, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets.

*Fifth
Street*

Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Tuesday, July fifth at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in Fifth Street between Third & Sixth Streets and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such common sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objection thereto, will then and there be heard.

*West
Street*

Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Tuesday, July fifth at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of re-

building the Common Sewer in West Street between Wash- 317
ington and Mason Streets and of assessing the expense there June 27. 1864
of on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains in-
to such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means,
shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objec-
tions thereto, will then and there be heard.

Whereas William Park-
man, in behalf of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, has
given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings
on Beethoven Street, in the said city, and in the opinion of
the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants.
require that the said street should be widened at the place
described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered:
That due notice be given to the said William Parkman that
this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by
taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as
aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street and
that Tuesday, the fifth day of July next at four o'clock P.M. is
assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may
be made thereto.

Agreeably to the recommen-
dation of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department
the discharges of Charles T. Coburn from Hose 4, A.M. Hickey
from Hose 5, John Fenno from Hose 6, and Thomas Ashcroft from
Hose 10 were approved by the Board.

On nomination by the
Mayor the admissions of the following persons into the Fire
Department were approved by the Board. Engine Company No. 2, George O. Swift, Fireman. Engine Co. No. 4, William I. Cheswell,

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Driver. Engine Co. No. 7. Henry J. Flanders, Fireman. Engine Co.
No. 8. Otis B. Hardy, Engineman; Warren Webster, Fireman; John F.
Lucas, Driver. Engine Co. No. 10. Gilbert Tins, Fireman. Horse No. 6.
John H. Weston, Fireman. Hook and Ladder Company No. 1. Has-
tings A. Ladd, member, Mortimer D. Gill, member. Hook & Ladder
Company No. 3. Charles H. Downes, member.

Police

On nomination by the
Mayor, Joseph E. Porter was appointed and confirmed as a
Police Officer of this City with all the powers of a constable
except the power of serving and executing civil process.

Special
Police

On nomination by the Mayor
John A. Clark was appointed a Police Officer for the special pur-
pose of taking charge of cases of drunkenness under the direction
of the Chief of Police.

Prison
Inspector's
report

The Inspector of Prisons for the
County of Suffolk submitted to this Board his report on the
condition of the Jail, Boston Lunatic Hospital, Houses of correc-
tion, Industry and Reformation during the last six months. On
motion of Alderman Messinger the report was referred to the
Committee on Institutions at South Boston and Deer Island
on the part of this Board to consider and report thereon if
expedient or necessary.

Boston
Steel & Iron
Co.

Petition of Boston Steel and Iron
Company that a supply of Cochituate Water may be furnish-
ed to their works in the City of Charlestown. Referred to the
Committee on Water. Put down for concurrence. June 30. Same
up concurred.

A request from the School 319.

Committee that the amount to be used by the Normal School Scholars may be provided with suitable furniture was referred in Common Council to the Committee on Public Instruction. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

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Normal
School

Petition of G. Washington Warren Warren

that a supply of Cochituate Water may be furnished to his dwelling house for domestic purposes. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Water. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The Committee on Printing Auditor's

to whom was referred an order for printing the Auditor's Annual Report, respectfully recommend that instead thereof, the accompanying order be passed. For the Committee, W. W. Clapp, Jr., Chairman. Ordered: That six thousand copies of the Auditor's Annual Report be printed; that two thousand thereof be retained at the City Hall, and that the remainder be placed in the several Station-Houses; and further that public advertisement be made of the fact that said reports are placed in the Station-Houses where the citizens may obtain them on application. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor June 28th 1864

report

The Committee on Ordinances, Health

who were instructed to report an Ordinance repealing such portions of the Health Ordinance as fix the prices for cleansing vaults at certain seasons of the year, respectfully report the accompanying Ordinance for the Committee. E. E. Dana, Chairman

Ordinance

man. Read, accepted and the ordinance having been read
June 27. 1864. twice was passed. Sent down for concurrence. July 7. Came
up concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 8. 1864. See record
of Ordinances.

Fire
Alarms.
Weather
Bread.

The Committee on Fire Alarms,
to whom was referred an order requiring the Superintendent
of Fire Alarms to keep a daily record of the weather,
have considered the same and respectfully recommend
its passage. For the Committee, S. A. Denio, Chairman. Read,
accepted and the order as recorded page 263. was passed.
Sent down for concurrence. June 30. Came up concurred.
Approved by the Mayor July 1. 1864.

Bonds.

The Committee appointed
to examine the Bonds of City Officers, have attended to that
duty, and respectfully Report: That they find the bonds of
all the City Officers, who are required to give sureties for the
faithful performance of their duties, correct in amount and
ample as to responsibility. For the Committee Otis Norcross,
Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence
June 30. Came up concurred.

Harbor
Commission

Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor
be and he is hereby authorized to invite General Richard
Delafield, Chief Engineer United States Army to serve in the
Harbor Commission of the City of Boston in place of General
at Totten deceased. Read twice and passed. Sent down for
concurrence. June 30. Came up concurred. Approved by the
Mayor July 1st 1864.

Harbor
Excursion

Ordered: That Messrs Smith, Put-
nam and Hawes with such as the Board of Aldermen

may join be a Committee to make the necessary arrangements for the annual visit of the City Government to the Board in the future. Read in Common Council. Come up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Denis and Nash were joined. Approved by the Mayor June 28. 1864. 321. June 27. 1864.

The Committee appointed Livermore
to consider the petition of Samuel B. Livermore and other
Hayweighers for increase of compensation, have attended
to that duty, and respectfully recommend that the pe- Hayweighers
titioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee. S. A.
Denis, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for con-
currence. June 30. Came up concurred.

The Committee appoint Read
ed to consider the petition of certain Hayweighers for an increase
of compensation, to whom was referred the petition of John
R. Read for an increase of his fee as City Hayweigher.
have considered the same and respectfully recommend
that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Commit-
tee. S. A. Denis, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down
for concurrence. June 30. Came up concurred. Hayweighers
for

A lease of a parcel of land
on the corner of Cambridge and Charles Streets to Oakman
and Eldridge for the term of three years from April 1. 1864. Charles Street
at the rate of one thousand dollars per annum. payable
quarterly, was approved by the Board. Wharf

The order submitted to Hose
the Board on the twentieth instant authorizing the Com-

322 miles on the Fire Department to purchase twelve hundred
June 27, 1864 and put of leather leading line, was read a second time
and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 28, 1864

Commercial
Street

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repair Commercial Street between Fleet Street and the Peoples Ferry Landing, and make such changes in the grade of said street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said street, which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owner or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost three thousand dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 28, 1864.

Sidewalk

The Superintendent of Streets reported to the Board a list of abutters on Lynde Street & Second Street and on Harrison Avenue, who, after notice and requested to lay their sidewalks, and said sidewalks having been constructed by the City, it was ordered that the assessments for that purpose apportioned to their respective names be collected pursuant to law.

School
Committee
vacancies

A message was received from the School Committee stating that vacancies exist in that body occasioned by the resignations of George M. Hale of Ward 4 and of James M. Howard of Ward 12 and proposing

a Convention of both Boards on Tuesday the fifth of July
next at four o'clock, P.M. for the purpose of filling said va-
cancies for the remainder of this Municipal Year and that
public notice thereof be given. Read and thereupon it was or-
dered that a message be sent to the School Committee stating
that this Board concurs in the foregoing proposition.

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Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises situated between
Oneida and Oswego Streets caused by dirt and filth on said
premises, belonging to E. C. Sauer, which is dangerous to the
health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Super-
intendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause
said nuisance to be abated by removing all dirt and filth
at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified
by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Oneida
Oswego
Streets

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises situated in Ham-
ilton Alley caused by an obstructed drain on said premises,
belonging to Richard Walsh, Joshua Bennett, Margaret Maw-
ley, Joshua Nelson, William Grant, Sarah Goddard, agent - John
Bull and Patrick Kelly, which is dangerous to the health
of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintend-
ent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause said
nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions and
thoroughly repairing said drain at the expense of said par-
ties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to
abate said nuisance.

Hamilton
Alley

The order submitted to the

June 27, 1864. Board on the 20th instant authorizing the Boston & Maine
 Portland & Maine
 Railroad
 Railroad Company to increase their rate of speed, while
 crossing Causeway and Travers Streets, to an amount not
 greater than ten miles an hour, was read a second time
 and was indefinitely postponed, by the following vote. Yeas
 Aldermen Clapp, Dana, David Smith, Heringer, Pranger, San-
 dish, Stevens, & Noyes, Aldermen Marsh, Norcross, Nash, Warren 4.

Young Men's
 Christian
 Association.

A vote of thanks from the Young
 Men's Christian Association of the United States presented to
 the Mayor and City Council of Boston for courtesies extend-
 ed to said Association while in this City was read and
 placed on file.

Broadway
 Railroad

On petition of the Broadway
 Railroad Company to have to extend their location in Ward
 No. 12, by the construction of tracks in Broadway to **L** St. in **L** St.,
K St. and Eighth, between Goldard, **E**, Fifth, C. and South
 Streets as in their petition is more fully set forth, it was
 Ordered: That fourteen days notice be given by the petitioners
 to the abutters upon the Streets above mentioned that this
 Board will on Monday the eighteenth day of July next
 at five o'clock P.M. take into consideration the expediency
 of granting the prayer of the petitioners, when any persons
 objecting thereto may appear and be heard. Said notice to
 be given by publication of said petition and this order there-
 on in all the daily papers of this City.

Railroad Company for leave to extend the location of their June 27 1864
and within this City by the construction of tracks in South Metropolitan
that from Rochester Avenue over Green Street Bridge also Railroad
for an additional track in Washington Street near Roxbury
line also for an extension of its double track in Federal Street
and Broad Street also for a track in Summer Street from
Federal Street to Lincoln Street and for a single track in
Charles Street from Cambridge Street to Boylston Street as in
their petition is more fully set forth it is Ordered, that the
petitioners give fourteen days notice to the abutters on the streets
above mentioned that this Board will on Monday the 10th day
of July next at five o'clock, P.M. take into consideration the
expediency of granting the prayer of the petitioners, when any
persons making objections thereto may appear and be heard.
Said notice to be given by publication of said petition and
this order thereon in all the daily papers of this City.

The Committee on Sewers to whom Jarvis
was referred the petition of William P. Jarvis and others that
a better system of sewerage be effected for Wheeler's Court,
reported a reference to the Committee on South End grades
and sewerage. Read and accepted. Sent down for con-
currence. June 30. Came up concurred.

On the petition of J. F. Dear- Dearborn
born and others that the drain in Middlesex Street may be
cleansed, the Committee on Internal Health reported that
the subject be referred to the Committee on South End grades
and sewerage. Read and accepted. Sent down for con-

326. currence. June 30. Came up concurred.

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Smith

Complaint by H. Smith of
a nuisance existing between Middlesex and Village Street
on land of E. C. White was referred to the Committee on
Suth End grade and Surrage. Sent down for concurrence.
June 30. Came up concurred.

Reed

On petition of Reuben Reed
and others that Elm Street may be widened at Nos 30-34.
the Committee on Streets reported that the petitioners have
leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Prindle

On petition of John Prindle
for a Common Sewer in J Street from Fifth to Sixth Streets,
the Committee on Sewers reported that the petitioner have
leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Price

On petition of J. M. Price to be
compensated for injuries done to his carriage by a switch
of the Metropolitan Railroad in Brighton Street, the Commit-
tee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accept-
ed.

Lewis

On petition of Winslow Lewis
and others that the Northampton Street sewer may be re-
paired to abate a nuisance, the Committee on Sewers re-
ported a reference of the subject to the full Board as a
Board of Health. Read and accepted.

Gorghagen

Leave was granted to Owen

Gerragen to give a Sparring Exhibition at N^o Portland Street, 327

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June 27. 1864

Leave was granted to George
A. Lakin and others to give exhibitions of Natural Magic &c.
at Williams Hall, on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Mon-
day next.

Lakin

Leave was granted to Les-
say and Thorp to exhibit Stereoscopic Views on the Fair Grounds,
for one week from July 1st.

Lessey

The following persons were
licensed as Auctioneers in this City for one year from July 1st
1864. viz: John Tyler, N^o 9 Central Wharf; Samuel Hatch,
N^o 10 Water Street; A. A. Thompson N^o 21 State House; Edward
T. Hall N^o 21 Kelly Street; J. B. Porter N^o 1 Post Office Annex;
George P. Lichborn N^o 22 Savings Building; Rich. Townsend and
Carino N^o 45 Paul Street;uben A. Adams N^o 45 Hancover
Street; Cyrus L. Harris N^o 18 Central Wharf.

Auctioneers

Peter Peterson was appointed
a Weigher of Coal in this City.

Coalweigher

Agreeably to assignment
the Board took up the subject of the Salary Bill, and the
question being on concurring with the Common Council
in the several amendments made by that Branch and
recorded on page 298, this Board concurred in the amend-
ments proposed to Section 23, 24, 36 and 37. The Board
also concurred in so much of the amendment to Section 2
as raises the clerk hire in the Treasury Department to sev-
en thousand seven hundred dollars but non-concurred in

Salaries

328 the portion which reads as follows "nineteen hundred of
June 27. 1864. which sum shall be allowed and paid to his principal
book keeper." The Board also concurred in the amendment
to Section 30, which raises the salary of the Superintendent
of the Federal Street Bridge to Fifteen Hundred Dollars but
said Section was further amended by striking out the word
"top" and inserting "building", and by striking out the words
"and fee". In Section 9, relating to the Board struck
out "eighteen" and inserted "Seventeen" and the Board non-
concurred in the proposed amendments to Sections 14
Harbor Master/- 15 (Assistant Messenger) - 16 (Porter) - 18 (Petty)
21 (Superintendent of Harbors) - 22 (Superintendent Municipal
Hall) - 28 (Superintendent of Lamps) - 31 (Superintendent
Federal Street Bridge) - 32 (Superintendent Meridian Street Bridge)
33 (Superintendent of Chelsea Street Bridge) - and so much
of Section 35 as relates to Salaries of Chief and Assistant
Engineers of the Fire Department. Sent down for concur-
rence

Salaries.

The remainder of Section 35,
with the amendments of the Common Council made there-
to was assigned for consideration on Thursday next at 11
o'clock. On

Winthrop
Horse
Railroad

Ordered: That the Act incor-
porating the Winthrop Railroad Company passed by the
Massachusetts Legislature March 22. 1861 and extended by
an Act approved March 7. 1863 be and the same hereby
is accepted by the Mayor and Aldermen as provided in
said Act. Read once.

to whom was recommended their report with an order attached, in relation to the duties of the Committee on Public Instruction, have reconsidered the subject, and recommend the passage of the accompanying Ordinance. For the Committee, C. F. Dana, Chairman. Read once

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Public
Instruction

The Committee on Ordinances Taxes

who were directed to consider the expediency of amending the Ordinance relating to the assessment and collection of taxes, so as to include the pay of the Per Diem Assessors. They have considered the subject, and recommend the passage of the accompanying Ordinance, which will leave the compensation of the Per Diem Assessors, to be determined, as that of the Principal and Assistant Assessors now is, by the City Council. For the Committee, C. F. Dana, Chairman. Read once

Per Diem
Assessors

Whereas, it appears to this

Board that a necessity exists for the re-construction of a Sewer, in Lehigh Street, from East Orange to Albany Streets, and that public notice of such intention has been given, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby directed to construct a common Sewer in said Lehigh Street, and to report a schedule of the expense thereof to this Board, pursuant to law. Read once.

Lehigh
Street

Ordered, That the Superin-

tendent of Streets be authorized to repair the sea-wall at the foot of Revere Street. Read once

Revere
Street.

Ordered: That the Superinten-

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Milton

Street

repave

dent, be authorized to repave Milton Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street, as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street, which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owners or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost four hundred dollars. Read once.

Milton

Street

Edgemoor

Sidewalks

Ordered, That the Chief of

Police be directed to notify the owner and abutter on Milton Street numbered 2, 4, and 12 to furnish new edgeline to support the sidewalk and the estate on the southerly corner of Milton and Brighton Streets to furnish new edge-stones to support the sidewalk, and to lay their sidewalks with brick, within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law. Read once.

Independence

Ordered: That the Committee

on the celebration of the fourth of July be and they are hereby authorized to expend the sum of Three ^Athousand dollars in addition to the sum heretofore authorized. ^B Read once.

Adjourned to Thursday next at eleven o'clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board 331.

of Aldermen of the city of Boston held at Richard. B. Hall June 2. 1864
on Thursday the thirtieth day of June, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Clipp and Warren.

Ordered, That the Cochituate Water Board be authorized if they deem it advisable to grant to G. Washington Warren a temporary supply of Cochituate Water for domestic purposes at his house Monument Square, Charlestown, upon such terms and conditions as they deem expedient. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. July 7. Came up non-concurrent.

Warren.

Cochituate

Water

The Ordinance submitted

Taxes.

at the last meeting of the Board to amend the Ordinance concerning the assessment and collection of taxes. so as to provide that the Per Diem Assessors shall receive "such compensation as the City Council may determine," was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. July 7. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 8. 1864.

Ordinance

Assessor

Per Diem

The order submitted at the

Independence

last meeting of the Board to appropriate an additional sum of Three Thousand dollars for celebration of the fourth of July next was read a second time and was amended by striking out at A. the word "three" and inserting the word "two" and by inserting at B, "upon the same conditions and restrictions as are imposed in the original order."

additional

appropriation

332 and was then passed. Sent down for concurrence. June 30.
June 30, 1864. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 1st 1864.

Twill House
appropriation.

The Committee on Public Buildings who were directed to erect on a portion of the South Bay Lands a suitable building to be used as a Twill House have examined the estimates submitted for such a building and they find that a suitable contract cannot be made for the sum originally granted for that purpose (\$6000) and they ask that a further appropriation of Five Thousand dollars be made to enable them to proceed with the work. And they advise the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, David David, chairman. Ordered: That an additional sum of Five Thousand Dollars be withdrawn from the Reserved Fund and appropriated to the New Twill House authorized by the City Council in their vote approved May 17, 1864. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. June 30. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 7, 1864.

Paving
Department

The Committee on Public Buildings who were directed to erect suitable buildings upon the South Bay Lands for the accommodation of the Paving Department having received estimates for the construction of such buildings as will be needed for that purpose find that the amount appropriated for that purpose, five thousand dollars, will not be sufficient to enable them to make a proper contract therefor. They therefore ask that an additional sum of Four thousand dollars may be appropriated for this object and they advise the passage of

the accompanying order for the Committee, Daniel Davis 332
Chairman. Ordered: That an additional sum of four thousand June 30. 1864
and dollars be withdrawn from the Reserved Fund and be
appropriated to the erection of the necessary buildings and
fences for the Siding Department, as contemplated in the
original order of the City Council approved May 17. 1864 Read
twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. June 30. Came up
concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 7. 1864.

On nomination by the Mayor, Special
Henry Gordon and 202 others were appointed and confirmed Police
as Special Police Officers for duty in this city on the 3^d and 4th of July 3^d & 4th
of July next. See their names recorded in the Book of Officers
appointed and confirmed by the Mayor and Aldermen

The order submitted at the Revere
last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to
repair the Sea Wall at the foot of Revere Street, was read
a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor June
30. 1864. Sea Wall

The order submitted at Lehigh
the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of
Sewers to construct a Sewer in Lehigh Street from East
Orange to Albany Streets was read a second time and
passed. Approved by the Mayor June 30. 1864. Street

The order submitted at the Milton
last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets
to repair Milton Street, was read a second time and passed. Street

334. ed. Approved by the Mayor, June 30. 1864.

June 30. 1864.

Milton

Street

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to the Chief of Police to relieve the owners and abutters at 24. 10. on Milton Street, also the estate on the southerly corner of Milton and Brighton Street to furnish new edging and lay their sidewalks was read a second time and passed.

Market

Halls &

Leases of

Ordered: That the Committee on the Market be and they are hereby authorized to lease the Halls and Cellars in Faneuil Hall Markets (old or new) for a term of three years from July 1st 1864, at the rates expressed in the Schedule hereto attached, and on the conditions and regulations contained in the existing leases. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 30. 1864.

Public

Instruction

ordinance

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to define the duties of the Committee on Public Instruction was read a second time and laid on the table.

Winthrop

Horse

Railroad

The order to accept the charter of the Winthrop Horse Railroad company which was submitted to the Board at its last meeting, was read a second time and assigned for further consideration on Tuesday next.

Summer

Street

sewer

Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Tuesday, July 5th at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of re-build

ing the Common Sewer in Summer Street from Purchase to 335.

Washington Street and of assessing the expense thereof on June 30, 1867, all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into the Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: and persons, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Agreeably to assignment Salaries
the Board took up the Salary Bill and the question being on those portions of the 35th Section which were left unfinished at the last meeting, Alderman Denio moved that they be assigned for Tuesday next, which motion prevailed.

Alderman Denio also moved Salaries
ed to reconsider the votes of June 27th whereby this Board non-concurred with the Common Council in fixing the salary of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department at \$1700 and that of the Assistant Engineers at \$400. and he moved that the consideration of this motion be assigned for Tuesday next - which motions prevailed.

Alderman Messinger moved Salaries
ed to reconsider the votes of June 27 whereby this Board non-concurred with the Common Council in Sections 2 and 18 of the Salary Bill and he moved that Tuesday next be assigned for the consideration of this motion. which was adopted.

and the Board adjourned to Tuesday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall
on Tuesday the fifth day of July, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Jurors

Five Grand Jurors drawn

for the Superior Court, Criminal Session.

Washington
Street.

Wellington

Nyman

Whereas O. F. Wellington has
given notice to this Board of his intention to erect build-
ings on 377 Washington Street, in the said City; and, in
the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the
inhabitants require that the said street should be widen-
ed at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore
hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said O. F.
Wellington that this Board intend to widen the street be-
fore mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to
be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as
a public street and that Monday, the eleventh day of July
at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any
objections which may be made thereto.

Special
Police

On nomination by the Mayor
James Lindley was appointed a Special Police Officer for
duty at the Bay State Iron Works.

Holmes

Petition of Richard Holmes
and others that the Leochiluate Water Pipes may be laid in
Lawrence Street. Referred to the Committee on Water. Sent
down for concurrence July 7. Came up concurred.

compensated for damages occasioned to him by assisting July 5, 1864
a Police Officer in making an arrest. Referred to the Com. Decker
mittee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. July 7. Came
up concurred.

A request from the Hancock Hancock
School District Committee that additional accommodations School
be furnished for the surplus scholars at that school. Refer-
red in Common Council to the Committee on Public Instruc-
tion. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The Committee on Public Bowditch
Instruction to whom was referred the petition of the Bowditch School
School Committee for additional school accommoda- School
tions, have considered the same, and being of opinion
that it is expedient that additional accommodations be pro-
vided for the Bowditch School, respectfully recommend the
passage of the accompanying order. To the Committee, C. F.
Dana, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Public
Buildings be instructed to confer with the sub-committee of
the School Committee on School-Houses, and to report forth-
with what land it is expedient to purchase, if any, and
what plan it is expedient to adopt for such accommoda-
tions. In Common Council. Read, accepted and the order pass-
ed. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved
by the Mayor, July 6, 1864.

The Committee on Public East Street
Instruction to whom was referred the petition of the School Primary
Committee for increase of accommodations for the East Street School

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Primary School have considered the same, and being of opinion that it is expedient that additional yard-room be furnished for the East Street Primary School, recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, C. F. Dana, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be instructed to confer with the sub-committee on School-Houses of the School Committee, and to consider and report forthwith what plan it is advisable to adopt for the improvement of the accommodation of the East Street Primary School in respect to yard-room and other particulars. In Common Council. Read, accepted and the order passed. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 6. 1864.

Tyler
Hastings
Ashley
Whiting
Wood.
Donovan.

The Committee on Claims, to whom were referred the petitions of Mary O. Tyler & others, Sarah H. Hastings, Mary B. Ashley, Mrs. J. B. Whiting, Samuel Wood, and Cornelius Donovan; severally for compensation for damages to their estates in consequence of defective drainage, respectfully recommend that they be referred to the Committee on the subject of raising the territory in the neighborhood of Church Street and between Castle Street and Lava Street. For the Committee, Chas. Norcross, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence July 7. Came up concurred.

Bills
to be paid

Ordered: That the following Bills for services rendered or materials furnished by persons connected directly or indirectly with the City Government, be paid, provided they are they are approved and allowed in the usual manner, viz: Eaton, Cummings & Co. two thousand

two hundred and thirty two dollars and sixty six cents. 339.

Symon Davenport, six hundred and sixty three dol. July 5. 1864.
lars and fifty cents. Denio and Roberts one hundred &
thirty nine dollars and five cents; one hundred and four
dollars; fourteen dollars; five dollars and fifty cents. William
Carpenter, two hundred and sixty dollars. Nathaniel Ad-
ams five dollars and eighty eight cents. C. Libon 20th fifty
dollars. Holbrook and Harlow, four hundred and ten dol-
lars and twenty-one cents. Read twice and passed. Sent down
for concurrence July 7. Came up concurred. Approved by
the Mayor July 8. 1864.

Remonstrance of the Trustees of the City Hospital against the future use of any portion of
the adjacent Public Lands for Circus Exhibitions, Amusement
re. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Sent down
for concurrence. July 7. Came up concurred.

The Superintendent of Streets reported to the Board that during the last quarter the ex-
penses of his Department amounted to five thousand and
one hundred and twenty nine dollars and forty nine
cents. the receipts to five thousand and thirty eight
dollars and ninety-five cents. Read and Sent Down.
In Common Council. Placed on file.

The Superintendent of Health reported to the Board that during the last
quarter, the expenses of his Department amounted to
forty-six thousand six hundred and ten dollars and
twenty seven cents. the receipts to two thousand & twenty-

340 Three dollars and seventy four cents. Read and sent down.

July 5, 1864. In common Council. Placed on file.

Port

Dr. Silas E. Stone sub-

Physician

mitted to the Board his quarterly report of his official duties as Port Physician. Read and sent down. In common Council. Placed on file.

Institutions

The Directors for Public Institutions reported that the expenses of maintaining the Institutions under their charge during the last quarter were forty-two thousand, two hundred and twenty nine dollars and six cents. Read and sent down. In common Council. Placed on file.

Warren.

The Committee on Water, to

Water

whom was referred the petition of G. Washington Warren of Charlestown for a temporary supply of locust water for domestic purposes, have considered the same, and respectfully Report: that in view of the great temporary inconvenience to which the petitioner is now subjected, and the very small quantity of water which will meet his present wants, the Committee do not see any objection to the granting of his request. As there is an order already before the City Council the passage of which will accomplish the desired object, the Committee deem any further action on the petition unnecessary. For the Committee, L. M. Sturges, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. July 7. Came up concurred. (The order was rejected in common Council, see page 331.)

Ordered: That the thanks of 341

the City Council be and they are hereby presented to the Hon: Thomas Russell for the eloquent and patriotic oration delivered before the Municipal Authorities of Boston on the occasion of the celebration of the Eighty Eighth Anniversary of the Declaration of American Independence: and that he be requested to furnish a copy for publication. Sent down for concurrence. July 7. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 8, 1864.

Ordered: That the thanks Marshal.

of the City Council be presented to Lt. Col. Allen W. Peabody, Chief Marshal, and to his aids and Assistants for the valuable services rendered by them in the formation and management of the City Procession on the Eighty Eighth Anniversary of American Independence. Sent down for concurrence. July 7. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 8, 1864.

Ordered: That the thanks of Escort.

the City Council be and they are hereby tendered to Capt. Lewis J. Bird and the officers and members of the "Lincoln Guard", and to Capt. Charles I. Stevens and the Battalion of Light Dragoons, for the prompt and acceptable manner in which they performed the duties of an Escort to the City Procession on the fourth of July instant: also to Capt. Howard Stone for the thoroughness and perfection of drill exhibited by the Battalion of School Boys, who have been under his instruction for the last few months, and who contributed materially to the efficiency of the Municipal Escort. Sent down for concurrence. July 7. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 8, 1864.

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 Ordered: That the thanks of the City Council be presented to Rev. Rufus Edet the Chaplain and to James Schouler the Reader of the Declaration of Independence for the ability which marked the discharge of their respective duties before the Municipal Authorities on the Fourth instant. Sent down for concurrence. July 7. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 8. 1864.

Choir.

Ordered: That the thanks of the City Council be presented to Charles Butler and the Choir of School Children under his direction for the admirable manner in which they performed their portion of the services on the fourth instant - and to the authors of the original odes which were furnished on the occasion. Sent down for concurrence. July 7. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 8. 1864.

Regatta.

Ordered: That the thanks of the City Council be presented to Robert M. Pratt, Esq. and his associates, the Judges of the Regatta, for the satisfactory manner in which they discharged their duties on the fourth instant. Sent down for concurrence. July 7. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 8. 1864.

Quincy.

His Honor the Mayor communicated the death of Hon: Josiah Quincy, as follows: - To the Honorable the City Council. Gentlemen: I deem it my official duty to announce to you the death of the Hon. Josiah Quincy, a great citizen whose name has been identified with the interests of this community for upwards of ninety years. Born in Boston, which he has always considered his

home on the fourth of February 1872 he has now ended his 84th
honorable life on earth, leaving a memory which will July 2, 1881
be cherished with pride as that of one of the most distin-
guished of the native sons of Boston. The child, and inher-
iting the name of one of the leading patriots of the Revolu-
tion, entering upon life a few years previous to the Declara-
tion of Independence, he has long been regarded as the con-
necting link between the heroic past and the present; and
has seemed to be a living Representative of that stand-
ard of character which we reverence so much in the Fa-
thers of the Republic. Specially fitted by natural endow-
ments and education for the responsible duties of official
station, he freely gave his time and influence to the public
service, recognizing the obligation which every citizen owes
to the community in which he lives, he was ever ready
to discharge those trusts which the people required at his
hands. Blessed with intellectual abilities of a high order,
and a liberal fortune, he yet lived an industrious and
retrospective life. He possessed an integrity of character which
the honest never questioned, and his governing guide at
all periods was a staunch and uncompromising patriot-
ism. He lived through the most eventful times in the history
of his country; and gently passed on to his reward as we
were about celebrating our National Anniversary, full of
hope and sanguine of success for the future. Old age did
not darken his spirits, or weaken his loyalty, but true to
the last he felt that the time had come, when in the or-
der of providence, his career was to be finished for nature's
powers were exhausted and he longed for rest. He could truly

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"This life of mine

Is lived out, and a grave thoroughly earned"

The biographer who commemorates his career, and gives the details of his ripe manhood in the meridian of his years, will find that his connection with the Municipal Government of Boston was the most interesting field of his influence, and the sphere where many of his most useful and enduring acts were performed. Becoming the Executive of the City soon after its change from the complicated and ill-arranged town organization, he gave the impress of his own strong will to its manifold concerns, and while remedying the numerous abuses which existed he also left many monuments of wise forecast and judgement which will render his name illustrious as one of the greatest of the City's benefactors. Possessed of indomitable energy and remarkable boldness in the expression of his opinions he never consulted a temporary popularity, but rigidly adhered to his own conviction of duty; and his six years of official life witnessed more important changes for good in the management of municipal affairs than double that number in any other period of our local history. Although it is many years since his active participation in the Government ceased he yet kept up a warm interest in its welfare; and among the most pleasing reminiscences of my own official experience are the consultations I have had with him on its concerns. He was a Bostonian in every sense of the word. He loved his native City with his whole heart. It was a passion of his being. He was proud of her past renown and history.

He glories in the intellectual advancement of her children, 345
and the material prosperity and success of her citizens. He July 5 1864
was jealous of her good name and looked forward to the increase
of her population, and the elements of her growth, with all
the fondness of a dutiful son. His death will leave a blank
in the community which never will be filled. Eloquent lips
will speak of his merits as a Statesman, as a Philanthropist,
as a Scholar, as a Public Benefactor, and as a Christian
Patriot. In all of the relations of public and social life he
has been distinguished. This is not the time or place to do
full justice to his memory. But I have deemed it my duty
to thus early communicate his decease to your honorable
body, that you might take that action which the proprieties of
the occasion may seem to you expedient. J. W. Lincoln Jr.

At the conclusion of the foregoing message, Alderman Nor-
cross submitted with some appropriate remarks the following
Resolves: Resolved, that the death of the Honorable Josiah
Quincy, at the advanced age of ninety two, after a life as
remarkable for valuable and various public service as
for long duration, while it falls with solemn and touch-
ing effect upon the whole community, is peculiarly felt
here, the scene for so many years of some of his most
important and most useful labors, and it especially be-
comes the municipal government of Boston to express
their sense of the admirable public & private virtues
of this eminent man, who loved this city, his place of
birth, with such patriotic and disinterested love, and
served it so long, so ably, and so faithfully. Resolved,
that we recall with admiration and reverence the long,

July 5. 1864

Honorable, and useful life of this great and good man, throughout so consistent and harmonious. Whether as member of the State Legislature, as Representative in Congress, as a judicial magistrate, as Mayor of the City of Boston as President of Harvard College, we see his path of progress illustrated and illuminated by the same high qualities; a strong sense of duty, an industry that shrank from no toil, a perseverance that nothing could subdue, a dauntless courage, a powerful will, a manly self-reliance, a penetrating and far-seeing sagacity, an integrity without spot, a disinterestedness without question. We recognize, too, a natural relation between his public work and his private virtues, and see that his value as a public servant may be traced to these personal traits of mind, heart, and character which, in the most retired walk of life, would have secured for him the esteem, confidence, and affection of all who came in contact with him. Resolved, that the goodness of God is shown in the death as well as the life of this valuable public servant and eminent man. After such unusual length of day, as would have made him an object of general interest, had all other claims been denied to him, without weariness, infirmity or long-lingering decay, in the full possession of his intellectual powers, crowned with love, honor, and obedience, with children, grand-children, and troops of friends around him the fine-drawn thread of life has been broken by a gentle and painless touch, and the spirit has been called away to another sphere of action and progress. His work was done, the heat and burden of the day were over, his sheaves were bound, and the Lord of the harvest has now sent for

him to receive the wages of faithful service. We are grateful 347.
for his life, for his labors, for his example; and we are grate- July 5: 1864.
ful that such a life has been closed to a serene & peaceful
a death. "The hand of the Lord hath wrought this in whose
hand is the soul of every living thing." The question being
on the adoption of said record they were passed unan-
imously. Sent down for concurrence. July 6. Came up concu-
red unanimously. Approved by the Mayor July 6. 1864.

Alderman Norcross then sub- Quincy
mitted to the Board the following resolve: Resolved; That
as a mark of respect to the memory of Mr. Quincy the City Committee
Council will as a body attend his funeral, and that a
Committee be appointed to take such further measures as
may comport with the proprieties of the occasion. Eased and
Alderman Norcross, Clapp and Messinger were appointed on
said Committee. Sent down for concurrence. July 6. Came up
concurred and Messrs Wadsworth, Fitch, Cumston, Coolidge and
Boullee were joined. Approved by the Mayor July 6th 1864.

Agreeably to assignment the Winthrop
Board took up the acceptance of the Charter of the Winthrop Horse
Railroad Company, and the question being on the First
passage of the order submitted to the Board on the 27th
ult^o / see page 328 the same was adopted. Approved by the
Mayor July 6th 1864. Railroad

No person appearing to object Fifth
to the proposed construction of a sewer in Fifth Street between
K and L Streets, said subject was recommitted to the Com^{on} Council.

Agreeably to notice John Brooks

July 5. 1864

West

Street

Peter and others remonstrated against the proposed rebuilding of the West Street Church from Mason to Washington Street. Thereupon the subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers.

Boylston

Street

Grand Lodge

Pursuant to notice William

Parkman and Benjamin Dean in behalf of the Massachusetts Grand Lodge appeared and objected to the proposed widening of Boylston Street at corner of Tremont Street and thereupon the subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets.

Summer

Street

Mass.

Bay View

Agreeably to notice William P.

Mason, John H. Thornlike for John C. Gray, Caleb J. Pratt, A. B. Mason, Dr. Hyndeman, The Clement, G. C. Burn, Trinity Church and William Quancush, Guardian, appeared and severally objected to the proposed rebuilding, at a lower grade, of the Summer Street Church. George Gardner and others appeared in favor of the proposed improvement, and thereupon the subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers.

Smith

Steam Engine

Street

Agreeably to notice the Board

took up the subject of the proposed erection of a Steam Engine by Stephen Smith in his factory on Fabian Street and a remonstrance from Foster and Hyier having been filed against the same, Nathan Morse, Esq. appeared for the remonstrants and opposed the grant of said petition and thereupon the subject was referred to the Committee on Steam Engines &c.

about Department to whom was recommended their report July 5. 1864
 upon the case of Peter B. Brigham, beg leave to Report: That
 they are advised by the City Solicitor that the law under Brigham
 which any action against Mr. Brigham could be main-
 tained, has been repealed. They are therefore of opinion that
 further action in the case is inexpedient. For the Committee.
 A. A. Stevens, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Agreeably to notice the Board School
 assembled in conjunction with the School Committee for Committee
 the purpose of filling vacancies in said School Committee oc-
 casioned by the resignation of George H. Hale of Ward 9 vacancies
 and of James T. Hewes of Ward 12 - and the ballots having
 been taken and counted for two suitable persons to fill said
 vacancies it appeared that M. Denman Ross was duly chosen
 to fill the vacancy in Ward 9 - and Henry A. Drake to
 fill the vacancy in Ward 12 - to hold their Offices for the re-
 mainder of this Municipal Year.

C. J. B. Moulton submitted to Sealer
 the Board his report as a Sealer of Weights and Measures of Weights
 for the quarter ending June 30, 1864, from which it appears & Measures
 that he has received and paid into the City Treasury the
 sum of \$526.40 Read and placed on file.

On the several petitions Lyford.
 of Alexander Thomas and of Thomas Lyford &c and others Thomas
 for the removal of certain obstructions in Barrell Street, Barrell
 the Committee on Streets reported that it is inexpedient at
 the present time. Read and accepted. Street

Benjamin B. Hanson, on
 July 5. 1864 the recommendation of the Committee on Licenses was
 appointed a Knight of local within this City.

Salaries.

The Board took up the sub-
 ject of the unfinished section of the Salary Bill and
 Alderman Everett gave notice that on Monday next he
 should move to reconsider the vote fixing the Salary of
 the Superintendent of the Meridian Street Bridge at six
 hundred dollars as provided in Section 32 and thereupon
 the whole subject of the unfinished sections of said Bill
 was postponed to Monday next.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Al-
 dermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on
 Monday the Eleventh day of July Anno Domini, 1864.
 Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

City Clerk present.

The City Clerk being absent on
 account of sickness, the Mayor appointed Francis W. Rockwell
 to be City Clerk, pro tempore, which appointment was con-
 firmed by the Board. Mr. Rockwell appeared and was
 sworn by the Mayor.

Petition of Hammond and
Hester and others that Harvard Street may be extended July 11. 1864
to the top of Chelton's way Referred to the Committee on Hammond
Streets.

Petition of Joseph Robbins &
others, citizens of East Boston, for better accommodations in Robbins
the running of horse cars. Referred to the Committee on
Savings.

Petition of William Evans to
be paid his bill for repairs on the Crane House. Referred to
the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence, July 14.
Came up concurred.

No person appearing to object
to the proposed widening of Washington Street at \$377, prem- Washington
ises occupied by C. F. Wellington. The subject was recommitted Street
to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of E. A. Carter to be paid
the amount of twelve interest coupons on City Loan alleged
to have been lost to him June 4, 1861. Referred in Common Council
to the Committee on Finance. Came up for concurrence
Read and concurred.

The Committee on Public In- Normal
struction to whom was referred an order requesting the School
City Council to provide furniture and apparatus for the for-
mal Department of the City High and Normal School, respect-
fully commend its passage to the Committee on Public
Buildings. For the Committee, C. F. Dana, Chairman. In Com-
mon Council. Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence
Read and concurred.

July 11. 1864. Motion, to which were referred orders of the School Committee requesting the purchase of land adjacent to the Mass School House lot, upon the yard of the North Margin Street Primary School, and the erection of an iron fence upon two sides of the Concord Street Primary School-House Margin Street lot, have considered these several topics and respectfully report: that in their opinion it is expedient to purchase the lot adjoining the yard of the Mass School, if it can be obtained at a reasonable price. That as well of opinion that repairs are required in the yard of the North Margin Street Primary School; and they recommend that these two matters be referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. The Committee are not of opinion that an iron fence is required for the Concord Street Primary School-house lot. Respectfully submitted, for the Committee, L. F. Dana Chairman. In Common Council, accepted; and the two matters were referred accordingly. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Hancock

School House

The Committee on Public In-

Motion to which was referred a petition of the Hancock School Committee, for additional accommodations in that street respectfully recommend its reference to the Committee on Public Buildings. For the Committee, L. F. Dana, Chairman. In Common Council. Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Institutions.

The Committee appointed to.

nominate a candidate for a Director for Public Institutions

in place of James Riley deceased, have considered the same 353
and respectfully recommend the election of William Fox July 11. 1864.
Richardson. Respectfully submitted. To the Committee, Wm
Norcross, Chairman. In Common Council, accepted. Came
up for concurrence Read & concurred.

A certificate of the election Institution
of William Fox Richardson as a Director for Public Institutions Director
in place of James Riley deceased, came up from the Common chosen
Council for concurrence. And the ballots having been taken
and counted it appeared that the whole number was 12;
the majority a choice of William Fox Richardson had nine
and Joseph L. Fenshaw three. So said William Fox Richard-
son was elected in concurrence.

Edward Hatch, Inspector in- Ballast
chief of the Weights and Inspector of Sights submitted to Inspector
the Board his quarterly report to June 30. 1864. Read and sent report
down. In Common Council. Placed on file

John D. Cadogan, Sealer of Sealer of
Weights and Measures, submitted his quarterly report to June Weights &
30. 1864. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed Measures
on file.

The several Hunt Officers Hunt
of the Southern, South and Northern Districts submitted their Officers
quarterly reports to June 30. 1864. Read and placed on file.

G. J. B. Moulton, Sealer of Weights Sealer of
and Measures for the Northern District, submitted an Annual Weights &
Report for the year ending June 30. 1864. Laid on the table Measures

354 and ordered to be printed.

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Sanctuary of
Rights &
Measures

John L. Hodgson, Sanitary Officer of Rights and Measures for the Southern District, submitted an annual report for the year ending June 30, 1864. Read on the table and ordered to be printed.

City

Physician

Dr. William Paul City Physician submitted his quarterly report for the quarter ending June 30, 1864. Read on the table and ordered to be printed.

Institutions

also

A communication was received from Messrs. Kimball, President of the Board of Directors for Public Institutions, asking the approval of the City Council on certain amendments of the rules and regulations of the Institutions. Read and referred to the Committee on Institutions. Sent down for concurrence. July 14. Came up concurred.

Lombard

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Henry S. Lombard to be paid for damages sustained to his stock of goods by reason of the conscript list in July 1863. Have considered the same, and respectfully Report: that in their opinion the writing of Mr. Lombard's name had no connection whatever with the conscript list, and they therefore recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Ois Norcross Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. July 14. Came up concurred.

Lands

Robert W. Hall, Superintendent of Public Lands, submitted his quarterly report to

June 30. 1864. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed. 355.

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Suffolk
Railroad

On petition of Suffolk Railroad Company for leave to extend their location in this city by the construction of tracks on Boylston, Berkeley, Church, and Charles Streets also to extend their turned track near Providence Depot from Pleasant to Church Streets it is ordered, That the petitioners give fourteen days notice to the abutters on the streets above mentioned that this Board will, on Monday the first day of August next at four o'clock P.M. take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of said petition, when any person objecting thereto may appear and be heard: said notice to be given by the publication of said petition and this order thereon in all the daily papers of this City.

The Committee on Paving to whom was referred the petition of S. and C. Newcomb and others that Wendell Street may be accepted and graded, would respectfully report that the work of bringing said Street to grade will require so large an outlay that they deem it inexpedient to take any action in the matter this year for the Committee. L. Elliot Shindler, Chairman. Read & accepted.

Newcomb
Wendell
Street.

On the petition of Horace G. Gibbs, that he may be furnished with the line and grade of India Street, the committee on Paving reported that no action is necessary. Read & accepted.

Gibbs

On the petition of J. Kennedy and others for the acceptance of Terrace Place as a

Kennedy

356 public highway. The Committee on Paving reported leave
July 11. 1864 to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Bacon. Ordered: That leave be granted to J. J. Bacon to lay down a lead pipe across Concord Street near Washington Street to a well on the premises of E. Turbell; provided, said Bacon will deposit with the Auditor of Accounts a bond, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, binding himself, his successors and assigns, to remove said pipe at any time thereafter at his own cost whenever it shall be deemed necessary by the Board of Aldermen for the time being: also that whenever said pipe may require to be relaid or repaired or removed, said work shall be done under the supervision of, and in a manner satisfactory to the Superintendent of Streets for the time being at the expense of said Bacon his successors and assigns, who shall also be responsible for any damage which may arise by the reason of the laying down of the said pipe. Said pipe to be laid down under the direction of and in a manner satisfactory to the Superintendent of Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 13. 1864

West Street sewer. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Sewers is hereby directed to construct a sewer in West Street as asked for in the petition of J. B. Williams, upon his agreeing in writing to bear three-fourths of the expense. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor. July 13. 1864.

Fifth Street. Whereas, it appears to this Board that a necessity exists for the construction of a Sewer

er, in Fifth Street, between H. and I. Streets, and that pub- 357
lic notice of such intention has been given, it is hereby Or- July 11. 1864
dained, that the Superintendent of Works be and he is hereby
directed to construct a common sewer in said Fifth Street,
and to report a schedule of the expense thereof to this
Board, pursuant to Law. read twice and passed. Approved
by the Mayor July 13. 1864.

Resolved, That the safety
and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that
Washington Street should be widened, and for that pur-
pose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street
or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to
James Hyman - bounded as follows, viz: Northwardly
by the proposed line of widening of said Street, the mea-
sure being fifteen feet and $\frac{3}{4}$ in; Eastwardly by the present line of
said Street one foot and $\frac{3}{8}$ in; Southwardly by the same
fifteen feet and $\frac{29}{100}$ in; and Southwardly by the same
one foot and $\frac{29}{100}$ in; containing fourteen square feet more or
less. And whereas, due notice has been given of the inten-
tion of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the
purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return herunto annex-
ed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before
described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out
as a public street or way of the said City, according to a
plan of the said widening made by N. Henry Crafts, City
Engineer, dated July 2^d 1864, and deposited in the office of the
said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth not judge
that the expense of widening the said Washington Street,
as aforesaid, will amount to three hundred and fifty cents

Washington
Street.
Hyman

and two dollars; which sum, together with the amount of
 July 11. 1864 estimate of previous alterations or discontinuances in said
 that, during the present municipal year, does not exceed
 the sum of five thousand dollars. Read twice and passed.
 Approved by the Mayor July 13. 1864.

Enrolment

List

Ordered, That the Commit-

tee on Printing be authorized to print the new enrolment
 list of the Ward of this City as prepared officially by the
 Secret. Marshals of the Third and Fourth Congressional Dis-
 tricts. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence July
 14. Came up concurred.

President

of the
 United States

Whereas, information has been
 received that the President of the United States contemplates
 a visit to this City and vicinity on or about the 20th instant;
 Ordered: That three members of the Board of Aldermen
 with such as the Common Council may join, be a spec-
 ial committee with authority to correspond with the Pres-
 ident, and, if it be probable that he will be able to visit
 Boston, to make such arrangements for his reception as
 shall evince a proper respect for his high official position.
 Passed, and Aldermen Messinger, Davies and Standish
 were appointed on said committee. Sent down for concur-
 rence July 14. Came up concurred and the President of the
 Common Council and Messrs Giffield, Reed, Adams, Fiske &
 Stebbins were joined. Approved by the Mayor July 15. 1864.

Breed's

Island

Ordered: That the Superintend-

ent of shall be authorized to construct a new trestle ac-
 cross and under the causeway between Breed's Island &
 East Boston according to a plan drawn by N. Henry Crafts,

city Engineer, also to widen and improve Adams street 354.
Five thousand five hundred dollars paid once

July 11. 1864

Agreeably to assignment
the Board took up the Salary Bill, the first question in order being upon the motion of Alderman Messinger to reconsider the vote by which the Board non-concurred with the Council in the insertion of certain words after the word "clerk," in Section 2. The motion to reconsider prevailed and the question recurring upon concurrence in the Council's amendment, the Board non-concurred. On motion of Alderman Messinger, Section 2 was amended by striking out "Seven thousand five hundred" and inserting "Seven thousand and seven hundred." The next question in order was upon the motion of Alderman Messinger to reconsider the vote by which the Board non-concurred with the Common Council in its several amendments to Section 18. The motion prevailed, and the question recurred upon concurring in the amendment raising the salary of the Clerk of Police from one thousand to eleven hundred dollars: non-concurred. The Board also non-concurred in the amendment raising the pay of Captains of Police to three dollars and twenty-five cents per day. Ayes Aldermen Leno, Messinger, Sprague and Stevens 4. Nays Aldermen Clapp, Linn, Larrick, Marsh, Nash, Norcross, Standish and Warren, 8. The Board also non-concurred in the amendment raising the pay of Lieutenants of Police to three dollars per day. Ayes Aldermen Leno, Messinger, Sprague and Stevens 4. Nays Aldermen Clapp, Linn, Larrick, Marsh, Nash, Norcross, Standish

Salaries

360 and Warren, 8. The Board also non-concurred in the amendment raising the pay of Sergeants of Police to two dollars and seventy-five cents per day. Yeas Aldermen Denio, Messinger and Spangue, 3. Nays Aldermen Clapp, Lana, Davies, Marsh, Nash, Norcross, Standish, Stevens and Warren, 9. The Board also concurred in the amendment raising the pay of the Detectives to three dollars per day. Yeas Aldermen Lana, Davies, Denio, Messinger, Spangue, and Thront B. Noye, 6. Aldermen Clapp, Marsh, Nash, Norcross, Standish and Warren, 6. The Board also non-concurred in the amendment raising the pay of the Day and Night Officers to two dollars and fifty cents per day, Yeas Aldermen Davies, Denio, Marsh, Messinger, Spangue and Stevens, 6. Nays Aldermen Clapp, Lana, Nash, Norcross, Standish and Warren, 6. The next question was upon the motion of Alderman Stevens to reconsider the vote by which the Board non-concurred in the amendment to Section 32, raising the salary of the Superintendent of Meridian Street Bridge to seven hundred dollars, which motion prevailed, and the Board concurred. The next question was upon the motion of Alderman Denio to reconsider the vote by which the Board non-concurred in the amendments to Section 35, raising the pay of the Chief and Assistant Engineers of the Fire Department, which motion was lost. The Board then considered the remainder of Section 35. Pending the question of concurrence on the amendment raising the pay of the firemen of Hook and Ladder companies, Alderman Warren moved to amend by substituting, for the clause upon that subject the following, The firemen of such Hook and

Ladder Companies as are called out at First Alarms of 361
Fire shall be paid at the rate of two hundred dollars each
per annum; and the foremen of all other Hook and Ladder
Companies shall be paid at the rate of one hundred
and seventy-five dollars each per annum. The amendment
was rejected, and the Board non-concurred in all
the remaining amendments to this Section. (N^o 35.) Sent
down for concurrence.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

Attest:

A. T. Rockwell, City Clerk,
per signature.

At a Special meeting of the
Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at the
Commons Hall on Tuesday the twelfth day of July, in the
Domini, 1864.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen
Denio, Marsh, Sprague, and Warren.

Given leave was given
drawn for the Criminal Session of the Superior Court.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

Attest: A. T. Rockwell, City Clerk, per signature.

At a meeting of the Board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at the Mechanics Hall
on Monday the eighteenth day of July Anno Domini 1844
Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Moore

Petition of Emery N.

Moore and others for renewal of their lease of building
on corner of Water and Washington Streets. Referred to the
Committee on Streets.

Special
Police

On nomination by the Mayor

Thomas Dwyer and Patrick Cosgrove were appointed Special
Police Officers for duty at Gray's and Piffey's Manners

Items

Taxes

A communication was re-
ceived from the Board of Assessors stating that by reason
of the new law whereby the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
lets taxes to holders of corporations, a reduction in the
amount of tax to be raised in this City might properly be
made. Read and referred to the Committee on Finance
Sent down for concurrence. July 21. Came up concurred.

Smith

Petition of Harriet Smith for the
preservation of her late husband's interest in supplying
the Shipping with water. Referred to Aldermen Stevens and
Sach with such as the Common Council may join. Sent
down for concurrence. July 21. Came up concurred and Messrs
Woodbury, Ordway and Livermore were joined.

Adams

Petition of Nathaniel Adams

and others for abatement of a nuisance caused by stagnant water in lot bounded by Lever, Chapman Piers and Albion Streets. Referred to the Joint Special Committee on South End grades and sewerage. Sent down for concurrence July 28 Came up concurred.

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A communication was received from Gen. Richard D. Shufeldt accepting the position of Harbor Commissioner for this City in place of Gen. Teller, deceased. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Harbor

Commission

The Committee on Public Buildings who were directed by an order of the City Council to erect a new Grammar School House at East Boston, beg leave to report that they have prepared plans for a School House which could be erected for a sum much exceeding the appropriation of sixty thousand dollars, but those plans are not satisfactory to the School Committee or the Committee on Public Instruction; and the Committee are of the opinion that a building which will meet the desires of those committees will cost eighty thousand dollars. They therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, Daniel Davis, Chairman. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, twenty thousand dollars in addition to the loan authorized May 26, 1864, for the purchase of land and the erection of a School House at East Boston. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they hereby are authorized to expend in the erection of a new Grammar School House

East Boston

Grammar

School House

Yours

364. at East Boston, in addition to the amount authorized by the
July 18. 1864 order of the City Council, June 7. 1864. the sum of twenty
thousand dollars in Common Council. Passed. Yeas. 40.
Nays none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.
Yeas. Aldermen Clapp, Laves, Marsh, Messinger, Nash, Sprague,
Standish, Warren & Noyes none. Absent, Alder-
men Dana, Fenic, Stevens. Approved by the Mayor July 22^d
1864.

President
of the
United States

The Joint Special Committee
who were appointed to make the necessary arrangements
for the reception of the President of the United States respect-
fully report that upon conferring with the President they
learn that his public engagements will prevent his contem-
plated visit; they therefore ask to be discharged from the fur-
ther consideration of the subject. For the Committee, G. W. Mes-
singer, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concur-
rence. July 21. Came up concurred.

Rockwell

Ordered: That there be al-
lowed and paid to H. I. Rockwell, Clerk of Committees, for
extra services in reporting and transcribing evidence taken
by the Committee on the alleged abuses at the Institution,
such sum as may be deemed proper by said Committee.
Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 19. 1864.

Andrew
Sight
Infantry

Ordered: That the Andrew of the
Andrew Sight Infantry, in Lyman Hall, South Boston, be
and the same is hereby approved as a suitable place for
the deposit of arms, the rent to date from June 1. 1864. Appr

red by the Mayor July 19. 1864.

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The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Public Works to construct a culvert under the causeway between Breed's Island and East Boston, also to widen the causeway was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 19. 1864.

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Breed's
Island
culvert.

Ordered: That on and after October 1st and until otherwise ordered, the rates to be paid for claiming vault by persons making applications therefor as provided by the Ordinance relating to Public Health shall be as follow. viz: from October 1st to March 1st at the rate of four dollars per load of eighty cubic feet; from the first day of March to the first day of June, five dollars per load; from the first day of June to the first day of October six dollars per load. Approved by the Mayor July 19. 1864.

Night Soil

Ordered: That the Committee to which the subject of South Boston Streets has been referred, report their proceedings on the surveys of the streets of South Boston at the first meeting after the annual vacation, so that the lines of said streets may be established permanently. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

South Boston
Streets.

Whereas it appears to this Board that the family of John Puck at No. 25 Belmont Street are seriously sick with the small pox, and whereas said family are very destitute and will be a public charge-

Walth

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July 18. 1864. and whereas it further appears that said dwelling is in a state of nuisance and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants it is hereby Ordered: That the Superintendent of Health in consultation with the Committee on Internal Health and the City Physician be authorized to remove to Sea Island or Rainford Island Hospital such members of the said Health family as they shall deem necessary for the preservation of the public health.

Laurence
Place

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises situated in Laurence Place / N^o 3 / caused by an overflowing vault on said premises, belonging to Joshua Bennett which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by entering said vault on book at office to be cleaned, at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

North
Hanover
Court.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises situated in Hanover Court (North) caused by an obstructed drain on said premises, belonging to Daniel Schady, George Haler, James W. Taughtlin, Thomas Hair agent, Catherine Hunter, E. Smith, Francis Rains, James Clark, S. P. Langmaid and C. L. Taylor which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from said drain at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified

by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

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Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises situated in Sturgis Place caused by an obstructed drain on said premises, belonging to Charles Haynes Edward Perkins, James Parker, Levi Whitcomb, Mrs. Jane Conner, Charles Woodbury, C. W. Taylor, E. G. Nickerson, Samuel L. Gould, A. Farnham Smith, and Miss A. J. Olis, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby ordered, that the Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from said drain at the expense of said parties, who having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Sturgis
Place.

The Boston and Chelsea Rail Road Company filed with the City Clerk on July 11th their acceptance of the location granted to said Road in this City June 23^d 1864.

Boston Chelsea
Railroad

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to close, against the passage of vehicles (except Horse Cars) such portions of the public streets adjacent to the Grammar School Houses in the City Proper, on Monday and Tuesday, July 25th and 26th during the exhibition hours in said Schools - as he may deem necessary and proper.

Streets
to be closed

The Common Council having concurred in the amendments proposed to this Board to Sections 30, 15 and 10, and having non-concurred in the

Salary
Bill

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July 18. 1864. amendments proposed to Sections 2. 9. 11. 18. 21. 27. 28. 31. 33. & 35,
of the Salary Bill, said action came up for concurrence.
Read and Monday next was assigned for the consideration
of the same.

Metropolitan
Railroad

Agreeably to notice the Board
took up the subject of the proposed extension of location for
the Metropolitan Rail Road Company, and it appearing
that due notice had been given of the pendency of their
said petition, E. A. Lerby, Esq. appeared for said company.
No remonstrants were present. Alderman Standish moved
that the further consideration of this subject be continued
to Monday August 1st at five o'clock, P.M. which motion pre-
vailed.

Broadway
Railroad

Agreeably to notice the Board
took up the subject of the proposed extension of location in
Ward 12 by the Broadway Rail Road Company, and it
appearing that due notice had been given of the penden-
cy of said petition, George C. Maltuck, Esq. appeared for the
petitioners, and E. A. Lerby, Esq. appeared for the Metropolitan
Rail Road Company, who remonstrated against the
grant of the eighth Street location to the Broadway
Rail Road Company. After arguments by the respective
counsel, the further consideration of the subject was pos-
poned to Monday next at four and a half o'clock, P.M.

Cobb.
Suffolk
Railroad

The Committee on Paving
to whom was referred the petition of Hyeranus Cobb and
others that the Suffolk Rail Road Company may be com-
pelled to run on the Webster Street track, and to open Petition

and others in aid of the same, would report that they 369
have given the petitioners a full hearing, and obtained July 18. 1864
the opinion of the City Solicitor in relation to the matter
and inasmuch as said opinion is that the Board of
Aldermen do not possess the power to compel a Horse Rail
Road company to run their cars upon any track located
and built and only possess the power to discontinue and
revoke a location, they therefore unanimously recommend
that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee,
L. Miles Standish, Chairman. Read and laid on the table.

Leave was granted to B. F. Norwood
Norwood to give exhibitions of Magic at the Tremont Temple
during the latter part of this month.

Ordered: That Carriage Hacks
Licenses numbered from 1. to 433. inclusive be renewed by
this Board with the exception of Nos. 91. 123. 201. 204. 207. 208.
228. 230. 239. 250. 270. 277. 280. 297. 298. 302. 303. 305. 306. 316.
319. 331. 334. 335. 336. 338. 343. 353. 357. 358. 359. 362. 370. 372. 373.
374. 375. 376. 377. 379. 380. 389. 394. 395. 396. 397. 398. 400. 402. 403.
404. 405. 406. 408. 410. 411. 414. 416. 417. 418. 419. 420. 421. 422. 423.
424. 425. 426. 427. 428. 431.

Adjourned to Thursday next at eleven o'clock. A. M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on Thursday the twenty-first day of July, Anno Domini, 1864
Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Warren.

Broadway
closed.

On petition of the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to close Broadway against public travel between A and B Streets if deemed expedient and necessary, during the making of repairs on the Bridge over the Boston, Hartford and Erie Rail Road.

Night Soil

Ordered: That the price to be paid for cleaning vaults by persons making applications therefor as provided by the Ordinance relating to Public Health shall from September 15 1864 to October 1 1864 be at the rate of six dollars per load. Approved by the Mayor July 21 1864

Armory-
Light Artillery

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Lands, in consultation with the Committee on Armories, be requested to report to the Board of Aldermen if a suitable lot of land cannot be furnished, whereon to erect an Armory for a Battery of Light Artillery. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 23 1864

Recruiting
Loan

Ordered: That the Treasurer be hereby authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, a sum not exceeding Five Hundred Thou-

and dollar, and that the same be applied for recruiting 371
service under the Act of the Legislature approved 10th & 28th
March last. Read twice and passed Yeas Aldermen Clapp,
Carr, Davis, Jenie, Marsh, Messinger, Smith, Stevens, Sprague,
Hendlin, Steven. H. Says none. Approved by the Mayor July 23
1864.

On recommendation of the Coalweigher
Committee on Licenses B. G. Percett was appointed a purchaser
of coal.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board
of Aldermen of the city of Boston held at Mechanics Hall
on Monday the twenty-fifth day of July, anno Domini, 1864.
Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen

On nomination by the
Mayor, Samuel K. Dubick was appointed a special Police
at M^r Kay and Aldus Ship Yard, East Boston.

Special
Police

On nomination by the
Mayor, Ebenezer S. Crocker was appointed a Highways and
Inspector of Bundle Hay in this City.

Bundle
Hayweigher

Petition of Hiram Smith
and others that Causeway and Merrimac Streets may be
widened at their junction. Referred to the Committee on
Streets.

Smith
Merrimac
Street

ance. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 26. 1864.

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July 25. 1864.
Charlestown.

Petition of the Mayor of Charlestown for a temporary supply of Cochituate Water during the present drought may be furnished to such citizens of Charlestown as may require it. Referred in Common Council to the Cochituate Water Board, with full power. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 26. 1864.

Ordered. That the salary of the Per Diem Assessors shall be in addition to the salary already allowed them - at the rate of one dollar for each and every day which they shall actually devote to the service of Street duty, and four dollars per day in full for the services while engaged in other duties of their office pursuant to the Ordinance; but no pay shall be allowed for revising assessments beyond an actual service of five days. The number of said days service of the Per Diem Assessors shall be certified according to the Ordinance. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 26. 1864.

Agreeably to assignment the Board took up the Salary Bill - and the question being on concurring with the Common Council's amendment to Sect. 2, fixing the clerk hire of the Treasurer at ^Aseventy seven hundred dollar; nineteen hundred of which shall be allowed and paid to his principal book keeper ^B - this Board non-concurred therein and adhered to their

Salary
Bill

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July 25. 1864. former vote, viz: strike out all from A. to B. and insert
"Seven thousand nine hundred dollars." The Board
receded from its former vote on Section 9 and concurred
with the Common Council in fixing the salary of the
City Registrar at Eighteen hundred dollars. The Board re-
ceded from its former vote on Section 11, and concurred
with the Common Council in fixing the salary of the
Harbor Master at Fourteen hundred dollars. The Board re-
ceded from its former votes on Section 18, and concurred with
the Common Council in fixing the salaries of the Clerk
of Police at eleven hundred dollars - Captains of Police
three dollars and fifty cents per day - Lieutenants of Police
three dollars per day. Sergeants of Police two dollars & seventy
five cents per day. Detectives, three dollars per day - and
Day and Night Officers at two dollars and fifty cents per
day - the foregoing act of concurrence was adopted by the
following vote Yeas Aldermen Clapp, Dana, Davies, Denio,
Marsh, Messinger, Nash, Norcross, Sprague, Standish, Stev-
ens, Warren 12. Nays none. The Board adhered to its form-
er vote on Section 21, fixing the salary of the Superintend-
ent of Sewers at sixteen hundred and fifty dollars, thereby
non-concurring with the Common Council in fixing said
salary at fifteen hundred dollars. The Board adhered to
its former vote on Section 27 fixing the salary of the Su-
perintendent of Faneuil Hall at three hundred dollars -
thereby non-concurring with the Common Council in fix-
ing said salary at four hundred dollars. The Board ad-
hered to its former vote of Section 28, fixing the salary of
the Superintendent of Lamps at one thousand dollars.

thereby non-concurring with the Common Council in
raising said salary to eleven hundred dollars. The
Board adhered to its former vote on Section 31 fixing the
salary of the Superintendent of Lake Street Bridge at sev-
en hundred dollars, thereby non-concurring with the Com-
mon Council in raising said salary to nine hundred dol-
lars. The Board adhered to its former vote of Section 33,
fixing the salary of the Superintendent of the Lake Street
Bridge at two hundred and fifty dollars, thereby non-con-
curring with the Common Council in raising said salary
to three hundred and fifty dollars. The Board receded from
its former votes on Section 35. and concurred with the Com-
mon Council in fixing the salaries of the Chief Engineer
of the Fire Department at seventeen hundred dollars. Assis-
tant Engineer at four hundred dollars. Hook and Ladder
Companies Foremen, two hundred dollars, Assistant Fore-
men, Clerks, Pakemen &c, one hundred and seventy five
dollars. Stewards to Nos 1 and 2 one hundred and seventy
five dollars. Members, one hundred and fifty dollars. Steam
Fire Engines. Enginemen, eighty dollars per month. Firemen
seventy dollars per month. Drivers seventy dollars per
month. Firemen, two hundred dollars per annum. Fire-
men, one hundred and seventy-five dollars per annum.
Hose Hose Companies Drivers, sixty dollars per month Fore-
men, two hundred dollars per annum. Hosemen, one hun-
dred and seventy-five dollars per annum. The foregoing
act of concurrence was passed by the following vote. Yeas-
Hildeman Clapp, Luna, Davis, Senior, Smith, McSinger, Park,
Kerckhoff, Sprague, Handrich, Stevens, Warren 12. Ayes none. So the

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Somerset

Street

votes of this Board on Sections 2.21.27.28.31. and 33. were sent down for concurrence.

Ordered: That the Superintendent

of Streets be authorized to cause to be removed the steps and portico projecting from the side of Somerset Street at a cost not exceeding three hundred and fifty dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 26. 1864.

Intelligence

Offices
officer for

Ordered: That the Chief of Police

detail an officer to examine the several Intelligence Offices of this City, to see that the regulations of this Board for their government are fully executed, and to prosecute all keepers of such Offices who are not licensed by this Board.

I. Street.

Ordered: That the Chief of

Police be directed to notify A. Nelson and the Bay State Iron Company to remove all the obstructions which they respectively project over the line of I. Street between First Street and the dock and if not removed within twenty days of the date of this order, then said Chief of Police is further directed to cause said obstructions to be removed.

Beach Street

Barracks

A communication was received

from the Superintendent of Health complaining of the condition of the Beach Street Barracks, now occupied by the United States troops / Veteran Reserve Corps, said building being in a state of nuisance. Read and on motion of Alderman Clapp laid on the table.

Resolved, That in the opin- 377

ion of the Common Council the pay of the Librarian in the
Internal Health Department should be increased. Passed
in Common Council and transmitted to this Board. Read
and referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

July 25, 1864.
Internal
Health

Ordered, That Wagon Licenses

Wagon
licenses

as numbered from 1. to 1798 inclusive, except Nos 51 185 196
316. 317. 318. 319. 320. 360. 361. 362. 485. 491. 553. 569. 608. 669. 670. 671. 672
689. 702. 721. 729. 807. 825. 826. 827. 966. 1054. 1099. 1189. 1358. 1372. 1424.
1488. 1510. 1515. 1576. 1667. 1757. and 1758. be issued for one year
from July 1st 1864.

Leave was granted to F. R.
Woodward to keep an Intelligence Office at Chardon Street,
near Bowdoin Square.

Intelligence
office

Agreeably to the report of the
Committee on Licenses the following persons were licensed
to deal in Second Hand Articles until July 1, 1865, viz: Isaac
Harms No 27 Salem Street. James Spittard No 6 Essex Street.
Adolph Appel 123 Cambridge Street. Michael J. Allen 66 Leche-
ter Avenue. James Brooks No 204 Causeway Street. Richard
Bishop 144 Greenland Street. Hoffman Borkowsky 34 Salem St.
Jane Barlow 108 Essex Street. Joseph Brooks 128 Essex Street.
Mathias Brady 364 Broad Street. Nathaniel P. Brown 257 Cause-
way Street. Edward Barlow corner of Essex and Lincoln
Streets. David Barnes, Jr. No 391 Commercial Street. Nathaniel
J. Bartlett 58 Cornhill Street. Lizetta Bennell 122 Essex Street.
Louis Bonie 19 1/2 Salem Street. David Russell 73 Merrimac
Street. Robert Bow 63 Salem Street. George Ballou 377 Commec-

Second Hand
Articles

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cial Street. J. A. Ballou, 285-287 Commercial Street. Samuel
Lock 18 Salem Street. George Brown 16 Brattle Street. Patrick
Quinn 277 Commercial Street. James Buchanan 76^o 208
Broad Street. Cornelius J. Burke 185 Congress Street. Samuel
Copeland 198 Bruckstone Street. James Charles 181 Fulton Street.
Edward Cooper 40 Friend Street. Herman Cohen 297^{1/2} Salem
Street. Henry Ward 23 Cambridge Street. Maurice Curry 156
Broad Street. Jonas W. Clark 18 Brattle Street. John P. Colburn
20 Brattle Street. Cutting and Earl 362 Broad Street. James
Gavin 178 Canal Street. Henry A. Gampster 122 Cross Street. W. L. &
T. Gooding 409 Broad Street. John Gollison 217 Condict Street.
Richard L. Gumpster 17 Brattle Street. Joseph Cohen 29 Friend
Street. Bernard Callahan 12 Dorchester Avenue. Isaac Covee 101
Cambridge Street. James Dinsmore, 308 Hanover Street. Hollis B.
Day 67 Everett Street. Benjamin Desjardis 115^{1/2} Brattle Street.
Benjamin De Young 38 Eliot Street. Timothy Donovan 30 Brat-
tle Street. C. H. Dunbar 11^o 221 Commercial Street. Michael Laffy
222 Causeway Street. Walter Lacey 20 Commercial Street. Mary
Lalany 18 Warwick Square. Samuel De Young 130 Dorchester
Avenue. John Dunn 1 Summer Street Wharf. Henry Hall 1^o
211 Federal Street. Harvey & Mahoney 12 Foster Wharf. William
Laren 91 Cross Street. Robert C. Manning 363 Commercial Street.
John Friel 61 Pitts Street. Edward A. Nolan 120 Kneland Street.
David Flynn 57 Prince Street. Patrick Foley, 77 Salem Street.
Frier and Friel 85 Cambridge Street. James Fitzgerald 128
Broad Street. Felch and Page 1 and 6 Salem Street. Jasper F.
Ferdinand 57 and 39 Elm Street. Charles M. Gammon 157
Severett Street. William Galvin 204 Broad Street. John Gorman
195 Congress Street. Thomas D. Gallivan 33 Eliot Street. John

Fulleran N. 407 Commercial Street. Fiskins and Montague 379.
108 Broad Street. Hare and Rusk 307 Broad Street. Hill and July 25. 1864.
Keller 333 Broad Street. Hodgkins and Rodgell 2 Russia
Wharf. Lewis Harris 36 1/2 Salem Street. Little East 72 Cambridge
Street. Joseph M. Haley 57 Court Street. Lorch Gordon 386 Han-
over Street. Charles E. Homer 100 1/2 Howard Street. Owen Har-
rington 231 Broad Street. Adolphus L. Haynes 27 Province Street.
Jeffrey L. Johnson N. 22 Battle Street. Richmond Johnson 142
Fremont Street. Abraham Jacob 119 Essex Street. Margaret Jones
69 Salem Street. William Kennedy 62 West Street. Hiram Knight
54 Mills Street. Lewis Knopf 96 Merimac Street. Susan A. King-
man Merimac corner of Survis Street. William Kerr 17 1/2 Hancock
Street. Lert and Gore 160 Canal Street. John Kiernan 115 Mer-
rimac Street. John Lodge N. 136 Fulton Street. Andrew Leuther
Constitution Wharf. Samuel B. Locke 265 Causeway Street. Abra-
ham N. Liberman 75 Fulton Street. Rachel Levi 18 Essex Street.
Bennett Levi 263 Hanover Street. Morris Lutz 104 Essex
Street. Simpson N. Lewis 110 Battle Street. Ephraim Limer N. 5
Warren Square. Levi & Sugarman 25 Salem Street. Ernestine
Livingston 78 Cambridge Street. William Lynen 207 Causeway
Street. Teresa Lazarus 243 Hancock Street. Delany Levi 74 Es-
sex Street. Leonard Lamb 147 1/2 East Dover Street. Becker
Lebrecht 50 Salem Street. Gusta Levi 42 Salem Street. Bertha
Levi 123 Cambridge Street. Wolf Levi 64 Salem Street. Morris
Levi 114 Essex Street. Samuel Levi 66 Salem Street. Patrick
Mellay N. 85 Portland Street. George E. Miller 352 Commercial
Street. Charles A. More 311 Fulton Street. John A. Mynner 111
Dorchester Avenue. Richard M. Penagie 369 Commercial Street.
William M. Gaughlin 255 Causeway Street. Mathias. Shind 298

380. Federal Street. Owen McKinney 32 Salem Street. Theodore

July 25. 1864. Handruca 32 Brattle Street. Hulcano & Harrington 57 Cambridge Street. Edward Mallay 55 Merrimac Street. John Mullen 366 Broad Street. Benjamin Mansfield 344 Broad Street. Patrick M. Donough 275 Causeway Street. John M. Donough 3 North Grove Street. Daniel Murphy 7 Lewis Street. Michael Mullen 197 Congress Street. Peter Nugent No 12 Merrimac Street. W. A. J. Nickerson 275 Federal Street. Philip. Kuhn 11 Causeway Street. John O'Hara, No 200 Broad Street. Edmund O'Brien 40 Eliot Street. Matilda Osborn 96 Cambridge Street. James O'Brien 100 431 Broad Street. John O'Brien 341 Federal Street. James O'Neil 328 Harrison Avenue. Calvin Putnam No 213 Broad Street. James Rivers No 376 Federal Street. Philip Ruger 15 Salem Street. William A. Riper 133 Washington Street. Charles W. Parsons 301 Hanover Street. Christopher Pembroke, 219 Endicott Street. Coffin Hill 24 Brattle Street. Jacob Ruger 111 Salem Street. Jacob Ruger, 219 Hanover Street. Betsey Pamelsohn 110 Cambridge Street. Philip Ruger 247 Hanover Street. George. W. Rogers. No 21 Salem Street. Eli W. Robbins 132 Cambridge Street. Michael. J. Ring & Sons 187 Broad Street. Imos Russell 91 Richmond Street. John Ryan 60 Portland Street. William W. Ross 26 Brattle Street. Samuel Rowe No 10 Salem Street. James Scott 92 Essex Street. James Scott Suffolk Market. Thomas Stanley 39 Portland Street. Joseph Scheinfeldt 312 Portland Street. Simon & Brother 85 Essex Street. John Shea 364 Federal Street. George Stockwell 110 Fulton Street. Dennis Sullivan 403 Broad Street. Rachel Swan 112 Essex Street. Robert Wade 49 Merrick Square. Hugh C. Walsh, corner of Tower and Haverhill Streets. Betsey Samelsohn 110 Cambridge Street. Jonas Sulzberg 41 Warren Street. Beza Thayer, No 346 Hanover Street.

Simson and Tilcomb 405 Broad Street. New Tondum N° 120 321.

Lorchester Avenue. Simon Washauer, Jr. N° 68 Salem Street. Simon July 25 1864.

White 61 Cambridge Street. John Woods 161 Lorchester Avenue. Simon Washauer 48 Salem Street. Jacob Washauer 157 Cambridge Street.

James Webb 499 Commercial Street. Jacob Washauer 227 Hanover Street. James Wright 24 Prince Street. Whitten and Galy 161 Hanover Street.

Charles A. Warren 458 Federal Street. Joseph T. Walker 47 Salem Street. Augusta Wolf 307 Hanover Street.

Agreeably to the report of Pawnbrokers
the Committee on Licenses the following persons were licensed
as Pawnbrokers until July 1. 1865. viz. Jacob Alexander N° 16 Salem
Street. Henry Bauman 8 Salem Street. Louis Bonie 19 1/2 Salem St.
William T. Barry N° 4 Brattle Square. Richard S. Campbell 17
Brattle Square. Jason Cummings 58 Portland Street. Henry
Cook 7 1/2 Friend Street. Rich and Page 1 and 6 Salem Street.
Paschal Fiske 62 Portland Street. Edward A. Folan 120 New-
land Street. Isaac Freedman 59 Merrimac Street. George H.
Goodwin N° 1 Warren Square. George H. Goodwin N° 10 Brattle
Square. Jabez G. Hayward 70 Friend Street. Ruben C. Hewitt
3 Condict Street. Charles C. Homer N° 5 Howard Street. Ber-
nard Steinman 20 Brattle Square. Johnson & Trissile 13 Brattle
Square. Joseph T. Hill N° 16 Brattle Square. George A. Tibbels N° 22
Salem Street. Edwin Knopf 96 Merrimac Street. Benjamin L. Zinner
N° 2 Warren Square. Lewis & Sugarman 25 Salem Street. Hopley
T. Meserve 106 Sudbury Street. Charles Y. Meserve 108 Sudbury St.
Graham Myers 3 Warren Square. Albert P. Perkins 4 Warren
Square. John L. Richards 7 Brattle Square. Edward Rosen 12 Bat-
tle Square. Charles M. Rogers 2 1/2 Salem Street. Seth Rich 11 Salem

382 Street. Can Reinckin & 500 Washington Street. Gardner &
July 25, 1864. Savage 5. and 15 Endicott Street.

Robert Hale was appointed
Caturigher by the Board a Magistrate of local within this City.

South Margin
Street

Whereas it appears to this
Board that a nuisance exists on premises numbered ten on
South Margin Street, caused by an overflowing vault on
said premises, belonging to John Bennett which is dangerous
to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby ordered that the
Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause
said nuisance to be abated by ordering the same to be clean-
ed at the expense of said party, who, having been duly noti-
fied by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Broadway
Railroad

Agreeably to assignment,
the Board took up the subject of the proposed extension of
the location of the Broadway Railroad as in their petition
is fully set forth. On the representation of Mr. Derby, who ap-
peared for the Metropolitan Rail Road Company, that there
was no objection to the proposed location by the Broadway
Rail Road Company so as to reach and connect with their
Stables on motion of Alderman Standish, so much of the
petition of the Broadway Rail Road Company as relates to
the extension of their Broadway track to E. Street, thence
in E. street to Fourth Street with curve tracks in Broadway
and K Street and in Fourth Street and K streets, was recom-
mended to the Committee on Paving. The remainder of the pro-
posed location, viz: through Eighth Street and its connections

to Lechester Avenue was postponed for consideration on 383.
Monday the twelfth of September at four and a half o'clock July 23. 1864.
P.M.

On petition of David Leavitt Leavitt
and others that the name of Hudson Street be changed to Hanson Street.
Winthrop Street the Committee on Paving reported that the
petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On the several petitions of Mann, Russ.
Briggs Mann and others that Greenough Lane may be wid- Mead
ened, of Charles Street and others that Water Street may Greenough Lane
be widened at corner of Broad Street; of Charles Mead and Water Street.
others that F. Street may be extended from Goddard to Sullivan F. Street.
can Street the Committee on Streets reported that said meas-
ures are inexpedient at the present time. Read & accepted.

On petition of J. Forristall, Forristall
that Chamber Street below Island Street may be graded. Chamber
the Committee on Paving reported that no action is neces- street
sary thereon. Read and accepted.

Ordered, That there be paid Wellington
to Oliver L. Wellington the sum of two hundred and sixty
five dollars and sixty one cents for lease damages consequent
upon the taking of land for the purpose of widening Washington
Street, at No 377 in said street, upon his giving to the City
an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and
expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the
same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and
widening streets. Read once.

Ordered, That there be paid
 July 23 1864 to James Hyman the sum of ninety-two dollars and forty
 Hyman cents, for land taken to widen Washington Street, at No. 27, in
 said street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same,
 and an acquittance and discharge for all damages costs
 and expenses in consequence of said taking, and that the
 same be charged to the appropriation for buying out and
 widening streets. Read once.

Here

Ordered: That the Committee
 on Fire Department be and they are hereby authorized to
 purchase for the use of that department, twelve hundred feet
 of leading hose at an expense not exceeding twenty two hun-
 dred dollars the same to be charged to the appropriation for
 the Fire Department. Read once.

Adjourned to Thursday next at ten o'clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board
 of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall
 on Thursday the twenty-eighth day of July, Anno Domini,
 1864

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Stevens

Primer

Vote.

Resolution of Warren M. Primer for
 leave to keep an Intelligence Office at 76 Tremont Street of

Order made for leave keep an Intelligence Office at No 3 Court
Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

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July 28, 1864

Whereas, William Washburn
has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect
buildings on the corner of Court and Merrimac Streets,
in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the
safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that
the said Street should be widened at the place described
in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due no-
tice be given to the said Washburn, that this Board intend
to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the
land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying
out the same as a public Street and that Monday the eighth
day of August next at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the
time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Washburn.
Merrimac
Street.

The order submitted at the
last meeting of the Board to pay James Wyman ninety
two dollars and forty cents for land taken to widen Wash-
ington Street was read a second time and passed. Ap-
proved by the Mayor July 30, 1864.

Wyman

The order submitted at
the last meeting of the Board to pay Oliver L. Wellin-
gton, two hundred and sixty-five dollars and sixty one
cents for lease damages occasioned by the widening of
Washington Street at No 377 was read a second time and
passed. Approved by the Mayor July 30, 1864.

Wellington

July 22. 1864

Free

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the purchase of twelve hundred feet of landing hose, at an expense not exceeding twenty two hundred dollars, was read a second time & passed. Approved by the Mayor July 30. 1864.

Fleet's

here

Ordered, That there be paid to Mr. Wright, agent of the heirs of John Fleet and the Lessees of the estate on the northerly corner of Water and Washington Street the sum of one thousand four hundred and forty-six dollars, for land taken to widen Water Street, upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 30. 1864.

Clarke &
Mr. Donald

Leave was granted to Clarke and Mr. Donald to give Theatrical Exhibitions at the Tremont Theatre, Tremont Street, on the usual conditions.

South Boston
Street

Ordered: That five hundred copies of City Document No 20 for 1844 relating to the direction and location of the Streets of South Boston be printed for the use of the City Government. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 30. 1864.

Hillinger,
Co. & Co.

Ordered: That the use of the Cochituate Water be permitted to Hillinger, Co. & Co. of this town, upon such terms and conditions as the Cochituate Water Board may prescribe. Read twice and passed. Sent down

for concurrence. Nov. 28 same up concurred. Approved by the 387

Maya July 30. 1864

July 28. 1864

Resolved, That the safety and

Temple
Place.

convenience of the inhabitants of the city require that Temple
Place should be extended, and for that purpose it is necessary
to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said
city, a parcel of land belonging to the Heirs of Catherine W.
Godman, bounded as follows, viz: Northeastwardly by the
northeastern line of the proposed extension of said Temple Place,
there measuring ninety-five feet and $\frac{10}{16}$; Northwardly by
the northeastern end of said Place thirty nine feet and $\frac{9}{16}$;
Southwestwardly by a passageway leading from said Tem-
ple Place to Washington Street ninety two feet and $\frac{33}{100}$; and
Southwardly by Washington Street thirty eight feet and
 $\frac{4}{100}$; containing thirty six hundred and fifty eight square
feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of
the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for
the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereto
annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land be
fore described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid
out as a public street or way of the said city, according to
a plan of the said extension made by N. Henry Crafts, City
Engineer, dated June 29th 1864, and deposited in the office
of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth
adjudge that the expense of extending the said Temple Place,
as aforesaid, will amount to seventy three thousand, one
hundred and sixty dollars; which sum, together with the
amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontin-
uances in said street, during the present municipal year,

Godman

388. | does exceed the sum of five thousand dollars Read twice
July 22. 1864 | and passed by Aldermen Clapp, Luma, Lurie, Murrah,
Merringer, Nash, Norcross, Spurgeon, Wendish, Warren. 10. May
Alderman Denio, 1. Sent down for concurrence. Aug 16. Same
upconcurred. Aug 32. Vays 4. Approved by the Mayor. August 17. 1864.

Salaries

On motion of Alderman Denio, the Board reconsidered its vote of the last meeting whereby the salary of the Drivers of the Steam Fire Engines was fixed at seventy dollars per month and after a long discussion said salary was fixed at sixty dollars per month - a motion to make it sixty five dollars per month having been lost - this Board thereby non-concurring with the Common Council in fixing said salary at seventy dollars per month. Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M

At a meeting of the Board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall
on Monday the first day of August, Anno Domini, 1864.
Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Luma.

Metropolitan
Railroad

Petition of the Metropolitan
Rail Road Company for leave to change the track of the
Suffolk Railroad in Portland Street between Chardon Street

and Haymarket Square, into Merimac Street. also for a location in Merimac Street from Portland Street to Haymarket Square. also for a location in Kneeland and Eliot Streets to Pleasant Street to connect with track of Suffolk Railroad company near Providence Depot. Referred to the Committee on Paving. 329. Aug. 1. 1864.

Petition of William C. Poland for the grade of Chestnut Street below Charles Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Poland.

Petition of William J. Smith and others that a nuisance caused by Wilbur Planing Mills may be abated. Referred to the Committee on Steam Engines &c. Smith

Petition of Drivers of Horse Carriages that their salaries may be made equal to those of the drivers of the Steam Fire Engines. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department. Horse Carriage Drivers

Petition of Frederic Clapp and others that a new street thirty feet wide may be laid out from Goddard to Seventh Streets. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Clapp.

The Common Council receded from its former votes on Sections 2, 21, 27, 28, 31, and 33 of the Salary Bill and concurred in the rates fixed by this Board in said sections but they adhered to their former action on the subject of the salaries of the drivers of the Steam Fire Engines making them seventy dollars per month and said action came up for concurrence. Read and this Board non-concurred therein. Sent down. Salaries

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Salaries
Committees of
Conference.

Thereupon it was ordered that Aldermen Jenic, Sprague and Messinger be a committee to confer with such committee as the Common Council may appoint on so much of the Salary Bill as relates to the salaries of the drivers of the Steam Fire Engines. Sent down to be joined. August 10. Came up and Messrs Cumston, Wells, Gogin, Boyce and Farnen were joined.

City Clerk.

The City Clerk reported that for the last quarter he had received and paid into the City Treasury the sum of nine hundred and twenty six dollars and twenty cents. Read and sent down.

City
Registrar.

The City Registrar reported that for the last quarter he had received and paid into the City Treasury the sum of three hundred and forty six dollars. Read and sent down.

Hayweigher

John R. Bradford, the Hay Weigher at the North Scales reported that for the last quarter he had received the sum of nine hundred and ninety eight dollars eighty per cent of which he had paid to the Association for Adult Evening Schools. Read and sent down.

Towle.

The Committee on Finance having considered the enclosed petition from E. J. Towle, respectfully recommend to the City Council the passage of the annexed order. For the Committee, J. W. Finckh, Chairman. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he is authorized to pay to E. J. Towle, or order, the several coupons, or interest warrants, as stated

below, which he alleges have been lost by, or stolen from him, 391.
upon his giving to the City satisfactory security to indemnify it from all loss, damage or expenses of any kind which may Aug. 1. 1864.
be incurred in consequence of such payment. Coupons of \$25.

each. Nos. 1585. 2538. 2539. 2540. 2541. 2542. 2581. 2582. 2583. 2584. 2585.

Coupon for 1258 N 884 Read in Common Council. Came up

for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor

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The Committee on Finance

Assessors.

having duly considered the communication of the Assessors
recommending a reduction of the amount of the Tax to be levied
in this City, respectfully report that no action is required
on the same for the Committee. J. W. Lincoln, Chairman. In
Common Council. Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

The Committee on the Har-

Boats

bor, to whom was referred the petition of the Wharves and
Inspectors of Lighters for an increase of their fees, have con-
sidered the same and respectfully recommend the passage
of the accompanying Ordinance for the Committee. A. J. Stevens,
Chairman. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence
(Aug. 10. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor (Aug. 11.
1864. (See records of Ordinances)

Lighters
Inspectors

Ordered: That the Committee

Mount Hope

to consider the expediency of abolishing the Board of Trustees
of Mount Hope Cemetery be allowed to report in print. Read.
Sent down for concurrence. August 10. Came up concurred
Approved by the Mayor August 11. 1864.

Cemetery

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 Everett
 School House
 that blinds may be placed on the windows of the Everett School House. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings with full power. Sent down for concurrence. August 10. Came up concurred.

Ninth Co

Ordered: That the Armory of State Guard the Ninth Unattached Company of Militia, corner of Orleans and Webster Streets be and the same is hereby approved as a suitable place for the deposit of arms, the rent to date from May 1, 1864. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Aug. 2, 1864.

Adams

The Committee on South End Grades and Sewerage, to whom was referred the petition of Nathaniel Adams and others for the abatement of an alleged nuisance in Village, Albion, and Chapman Streets, respectfully Report. That as the petitioners represent the actual existence of a nuisance, it is a matter which belongs to the Internal Health Department, and they recommend that the petition be referred to the Committee on Internal Health. For the Committee, Eli Norcross Chairman. Read, accepted and referred accordingly.

Stillman
 Street.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises 43 Stillman Street caused by an overflowing vault on said premises, belonging to John Gallagher, agent, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by cleaning the same at the expense of said party, who, having been duly

notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance

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Kingston
Street.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises 62 Kingston Street caused by an overflowing vault on said premises, belonging to Dennis Sullivan which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by cleaning said vault at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises No 25 Blossom Street caused by an overflowing vault on said premises, belonging to Mrs Geo. W. Foster which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by cleaning said vault at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Blossom
Street

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises 25 Dover Street caused by an overflowing vault on said premises belonging to Ephraim Kennedy, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by entering said vault to be cleaned at the expense of said party, who, having been

Dover
Street.

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duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Hamilton
Alley
assessments

Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the twelfth seventh day of June last a nuisance has been abated in Hamilton Alley, the cost of which was thirty seven $\frac{8}{100}$ dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule hereto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Market

The Superintendent of the Market reported that during the last quarter he had received for rents of stalls &c. in Faneuil Hall Market Houses, sixteen thousand eight hundred and two dollars and ninety three cents, and had paid the said sum to the City Treasurer. Read & placed on file.

Suffolk
Railroad

Agreeably to notice the Board took up the subject of the petition of the Suffolk Railroad Company for extension of their location in Boston, Berkeley, Church and Charles Streets, and it appearing that due notice had been given of the pendency of said petition - E. A. Derby Esq. appeared for the Metropolitan Railroad Company and stated to the Board that said company had purchased all the rights and franchise of the Suffolk Railroad Company, and that he

therefore was desirous to withdraw the pending appli- 395
cation - whereupon the Board voted that the Suffolk Rail- Aug 1. 1864
Road Company have leave to withdraw their said petition.

Agreeably to assignment | Metropolitan
the Board resumed the consideration of the application | Railroad
of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company for a double track
in Federal Street from Beach Street to their turnout on
Broad Street - for a track in Charles Street - and in Summer
Street from Federal Street to Church Green. E. N. Derby Esq. ap-
peared for the Company and advocated the foregoing peti-
tion - no remonstrants appearing the subject was commit-
ted to the Committee on Paving.

The remainder of said | Metropolitan
petition which relates to greater facilities on Washington | Railroad
Street - and to a track over Dover Street Bridge was as-
signed for consideration on Monday September 12th at four
o'clock, P.M.

The Committee on Water, to | Holmes
whom was referred the petition of Richard Holmes and | water pipes
another that the Cochituate Water Pipes may be laid in
Lawrence Street, have considered the same, and heard the
petitioners, and respectfully Report: That this application
comes to the City Council after having been refused by the
Cochituate Water Board, who undoubtedly had sound reasons
for taking the very unusual course of denying an appli-
cation for water in a street where many houses are located.
The Committee agree to the wisdom of their conclus-
ion, and will briefly state the grounds of their opinion.

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Lawrence Street, so called, is one of the streets laid out by the Boston Water Power Company upon their filled land between Tremont Street and the Worcester Railroad. It is as yet a private way, and the persons who have erected a substantial house upon it, have no public rights in connection with their property, and can have none until the street is accepted by the City. All the existing circumstances which make it improper to grant to the owners of these houses such privileges as are usually extended to all real-estate owners within the limits of the City, as a matter of course, arise from shortsightedness, either on their part or that of the corporation from whom their title is derived. In 1863, a Committee of the Board of Aldermen reported concerning a portion of these same buildings, which were then being erected by Mr. Henry Sperry. The language of this Report in respect to the buildings then partly erected, will now apply as fully to all the houses in Lawrence Street. And notwithstanding the Board of Aldermen accepted this Report, and so far as was in their power pledged themselves to execute its recommendations, Mr. Sperry completed the buildings then under way, and, we believe, laid the foundations for and built others at precisely the same grade, and with all the same objectionable features. The present owners are presumed to have purchased from Mr. Sperry. It seems difficult to believe that they could have done so without knowledge of the embarrassments which were likely to ensue in respect to drainage, water, and gas; but whether they did or not, it is the opinion of the Committee that the statements asserted to by the Board of Aldermen of 1863 were true and

remain true, and that the interests of the City of Boston re- 397
quire that the recommendation to refuse the acceptance Aug 1. 1861
of streets, the laying of sewers, and the distribution of
water, should be strictly complied with. The basis of all the
objections to granting the petition, is the low grade of the
street; but that difficulty is much aggravated by the follow-
ing facts: 1. The street does not crown in the centre. It is
two feet, or nearly so, and affords no opportunity for the
drainage of surface water. 2. The houses are set so low that
the top of the first story is only about one foot above the
street, when it is up to its proper grade. 3. The grade of the
basement floor is about even, and there being a space
under them of from four to six feet, the grade of the fill-
ing is only about five. 4. The material used in the filling
under these houses is not suitable. It is so foul and cor-
rupt that the influx of water must, especially in the sum-
mer season, generate noxious and unhealthy vapors. It is sta-
ted in the Report just quoted, the City was powerless to pre-
vent the occurrence of this state of things. The warning
voice of the Board of Aldermen was unheeded by the inter-
ested parties, who seemed to believe that the City was not
in earnest when it called upon them to put their houses
in a proper position, on pain of being denied the the privi-
leges and conveniences requisite to make the tenements hab-
itable. It is true that no Board of Aldermen and no City
Council can bind their successors to a negative course of ac-
tion; but they would be obliged to forget all the expensive
lessons of the creation of faulty drainage in other localities,
and to become blind to the real interests of the City and

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Aug. 1. 1867 the people, before they could permit generosity to individuals to swerve their action from the only safe line of conduct, that of persistent discouragement by every means in their power of all grades lower than the established standard. The Committee therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. In the Committee, L. Milt. Thendick, Chairman, said on the table and ordered to be printed. (See City Document 68)

Massachusetts

20th

Regiment

Robinson

A vote of thanks from the Committee of Arrangements on the reception of the Massachusetts 20th Regiment, for aid in furnishing the band therefor - was read and placed on file.

Leave was granted to George C. Robinson to give Magical Entertainments at Summer Hall, East Boston, from the 2^d to the 6th of August instant.

Bills

to be paid

Ordered: That the following bills for services rendered, or material furnished by persons connected directly or indirectly with the City Government, be paid, provided they are approved and allowed in the usual manner, viz: - Denio & Roberts, five hundred and three dollars. I. Crosby - three hundred and seventy-five dollars & eighty five cents. A. W. Palt, one hundred and twenty dollar, thirteen dollar and ninety-four cents. L. Chamberlin fifty six dollar and fifty two cents. L. Dunbar, forty nine dollar and seventy five cents. G. Mead, thirty one dollar and fifty cents. Nathaniel Adams, thirty eight dollar and sixty seven cents. William Carpenter twenty four dollar and seventy four cents. C. J. McCarthy ninety six dollar and seventy five cents. Read once.

Ordered, That the Super- 399.
intendent of Streets be authorized to repair North Bennett
Street with small granite trap rock blocks, and make such
changes in the grade of said street, as he shall deem neces-
sary, and remove all such projections on the line of said
street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings
into said street, which are not secured in accordance with
the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so much out
of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the
owners or occupants have refused to repair after due notice
to that effect. Estimated cost three thousand dollars. Read
once

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of
Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on Mon-
day the eighth day of August Anno Domini 1864.

Present:

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Dana.

Petition of George W. Phillips and Phillips
others that East Street may be widened on the Hatch estate
by the removal of the building which projects therein. Refer-
red to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Thomas J. Bayley, Bayley.
that the fees for the survey of Harbors may be increased.

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Aug. 8. 1864 Referred to the Committee on Ordinances on the part of this Board.

return
Petition of Daniel J. Coburn
for a sewer in North Street, west of Clark Street. Referred to
the Committee on Sewers.

Richards
Petition of William B. Richards
and others that a sewer may be laid in Myrtle Street between
Joy and South Russell Streets. Referred to the Committee on
Sewers.

Edson
Petition of Jacob Edson that the
city would use his Street Sweeping Machine. Referred to the
Committee on Internal Health.

Northampton
Street
A communication from the Grand
jury respecting a nuisance near Northampton Street and Har-
rison Avenue, caused by stagnant water and foul drainage.
Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Bates
Petition of Amos Bates to be com-
pensated for damages sustained by reason of the change of
grade in Brookline Street. Referred to the Committee on Pa-
ving.

Fields
Petition of George A. Fields and
others that the wall at the lower part of Indiana Place may
be raised in order to prevent accidents there. Referred to the
Committee on Paving.

Whidden
Petition of Thomas J. Whidden that
the wall of his estate N^o 483 Tremont Street, which has been
injured by the filling up of said street, may be rebuilt. Re-
ferred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of John L. Dunlap 401

and others that the remainder of West Newton Street may
be accepted. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

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Dunlap.

Petition of N. B. Hayes for a Hayes.

wagon stand at 13 Paul Street and remonstrance of Joseph
F. Hyde against said petition, were referred to the Commit-
tee on Licenses.

Hyde.

On nomination by the

Mayor, Norman Smith was appointed a Special Police Officer
at the South Cove.

Special
Police

On nomination by the Mayor

the following persons were appointed and confirmed as Police
Officers of this City with all the powers of Constables except
the power of serving and executing civil process. A. L. Myers,
Captain of Station No. 1. in place of Nathaniel G. Davis, resigned.
William C. Jenks, Michael McAmara, W. J. Phillips, Joseph A. Rich-
ardson. - Patrolmen.

Police.

Whereas, in the opinion of the

Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require
that East Street should be widened it is therefore hereby Ordered,
that due notice be given to Samuel Hutchinson and to Robert
Slade, lessee, that this Board intend to widen the street before
mentioned, by taking a portion of their land and laying
out the same as a public street and that Monday, the
fifteenth day of August inst. at four o'clock, P.M., is assign-
ed as the time for hearing any objections which may be
made thereto.

Hutch
East Street.

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Tucker

Petition of Samuel J. Tucker, to be compensated for personal injuries sustained by falling on an icy sidewalk in Friend Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. (Aug. 10. Came up concurred.

Auditor's
report.

The Auditor reported that during the quarter ending July 30. 1864 he has received and paid to the late Treasurer the sum of sixty three dollars. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Bills

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay bills of Lemuel & Robert J. Crosby, A. W. Hall, L. Chamberlin and other members of the City Government, was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. (Aug. 10. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. August 11. 1864.

Bonds
cancelled

Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to cancel the bonds numbering Eighteen hundred and thirty-eight. Nineteen hundred and forty one and Nineteen hundred and sixty-nine the land in which said bonds were given, having been forfeited, were taken possession of by the City in 1862-63. Sent down for concurrence. (Aug. 10. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor (Aug. 11. 1864.

Times

Water

The report, which was submitted to the Board at its last meeting, granting leave to withdraw on petition of Richard Holmes and others for the laying of continuous Water Pipes in Lawrence Street, was taken from the table and was accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Au-

August 10. Came up concurred.

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The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to repair North Bennett Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor August 9. 1864

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North
Bennett Street.

Ordered: That the Board accept the grade of Chestnut Street west of Messinger as shown on a plan and profile of said Chestnut Street, made by the City Engineer, and dated August 4. 1864. Read twice & passed. Approved by the Mayor Aug 10. 1864

Chestnut
Street.

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters and macadamize Princeton Street between Prescott and Putnam Streets in conformity with the established grade, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated cost four thousand dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Aug. 10. 1864

Princeton
Street.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abutters on said Princeton Street to furnish edging in front of their estates within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law.

Princeton
Street.

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters and macadamize Saratoga Street between Marion and Brooks Streets

Saratoga
Street

1404. in conformity with the established grade, and remove all
Aug. 8. 1864 such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dan-
gerous; also, to close all openings into said Street not secured in
accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated cost two
thousand five hundred dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved
by the Mayor August 10. 1864.

Eurologa
Street

Ordered: That the Chief of Police
be directed to notify the abutters on said Eurologa Street, to
furnish edgestone in front of their stores within twenty days.
And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the
City, at their expense, according to law.

Sears

Ordered: That there be paid to Da-
vid Sears, the sum of two thousand five hundred and forty
dollars, for land taken to widen Hanover Street, the same being
in accordance with an award of Henry W. Paine & others,
dated August 6. 1864. upon his giving to the City a deed
for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all
damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking;
and that the same be charged to the appropriation for
laying out and widening streets. Read twice and passed.
Approved by the Mayor Aug. 9. 1864.

Davis

Ordered: That there be paid
to Caroline E. Davis the sum of four thousand three hundred
and thirty dollars, for land taken to widen Hanover Street,
the same being in accordance with an award of Henry W.
Paine and others, dated August 6. 1864, upon her giving to the
City a deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge
for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said tak-

ing, and that the same be charged to the appropriation for 415
laying out and widening streets. Read twice and passed. Aug 8. 1864.
Approved by the Mayor Aug 9. 1864.

Ordered, That there be paid to Blake
Quincy Blake and Lucretia Blake, his wife the sum of one
thousand and thirty six dollars, for land taken to widen Han-
over Street, the same being in accordance with an award
of Henry W. Paine and others dated August 6. 1864, upon their
giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance
and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in conse-
quence of said taking; and that the same be charged to
the appropriation for laying out and widening streets. Read
twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor August 9. 1864

Ordered: That there be paid to Wethern
George H. Wethern the sum of two thousand five hundred &
fourteen dollars for lease damages consequent upon the widening
of Hanover Street, the same being in accordance with an a-
ward of Henry W. Paine and others dated August 6. 1864 upon
his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all dam-
ages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and
that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying
out and widening streets. Read twice and passed. Approved
by the Mayor. August 9. 1864

Ordered, That there be paid to Quine
Henry W. Quine, John H. Hornlike and Franklin Evans the sum
of three hundred dollars, for services as Arbitrators upon the Hanover
claims of David Sears & others, owners and occupants Street
of land taken to widen Hanover Street; and that the same

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Aug. 8. 1864 be changed to the appropriation for laying out and widening
street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor (Aug.
ust 9. 1864.

Cobb.
Suffolk
Railroad

On motion of Alderman Ste-
vens the Board took from the table the report granting leave
to withdraw on petition of Sylvanus Cobb and others that
this Board would compel the Suffolk Railroad Company to
run cars over the Webster Street track and said report was
accepted by the Board.

Washburn.
Merimac
Street

Agreeable to notice William
Washburn appeared and objected to the proposed widening
of Merimac Street at corner of Causeway Street; a remonst-
rance against said widening signed by Peter B. Prigham
and others was also filed in the case - and the subject was
recommended to the Committee on Streets.

Smith
Steam Engine

The Committee on Steam En-
gines to whom was recommended the matter of the applica-
tion of Stephen Smith for leave to erect and run a steam en-
gine in Fabin Street, have reconsidered the matter, and re-
spectfully recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be gran-
ted upon condition that his chimney shall be seventy five feet
in height. For the Committee, Geo. W. Sprague, Chairman. Read and
accepted.

Metropolitan
Railroad

On petition of the Metropolitan
Railroad Company for permission to remove a portion of the track
in Portland Street recently conveyed to them by the Suffolk Rail-
road Company into Merimac Street - and for a location in Mer-
imac Street from Portland Street to Haymarket Square, etc.

for a location in Anahand and Ellet Street to Flawant Street, 1107
near Providence Railroad Station it is Ordered: That fourteen days Aug. 8 1864
notice be given by the petitioners to the abutters on the streets a-
bove mentioned that this Board will on Monday the 29th day
of August, instant, at four o'clock P.M. take into consideration the
expediency of granting the prayer of the said petitioners, when
any party objecting thereto may appear and be heard: Said
notice to be given by publication of said petition and this or-
der thereon in all the daily papers of this City.

The Committee on Internal Health to whom was referred the petition of Patrick Neilon for
leave to keep a Goat, report; that the petition of said Neilon be
granted upon the following conditions: that said goat shall be
kept upon his own premises, and shall not be permitted to run at
large to the annoyance of the neighborhood. For the Committee,
G. W. Mesinger, Chairman. Read and accepted. Neilon.
Goat.

Whereas, by a Resolve, passed the twenty-seventh of May 1864, a certain parcel of land there-
in described, was taken on Hanover Street, and the same was
laid out as a public street or way of said City, it is therefore
Ordered, that due notice be given to David Sears, Jr. Caroline
Davis, Quincy Blake and Lucretia Blake, his wife, George
M. Wether, and all other persons interested as owners, pro-
prietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land, that
they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all build-
ings, erections and obstructions of every sort standing on
and projecting over the lines of said Hanover Street, as es- Hanover
Street

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Aug. 2. 1864. established by the Resolve aforesaid, or move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid, on or before the thirty first day of August now next ensuing. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered, forthwith to enter upon said land, and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the lines of said Hancock Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening streets.

Pearl
Place

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises situated in Pearl Place caused by an obstructed drain on said premises, belonging to Maunse Hogan, Timothy Lyons, John J. Dingley and James Heile, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from said drain or constructing a new one at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Dedham
Street.
St. Ninch

The Committee on Paving to whom was referred the petition of Robert St. Ninch and others that the grade of Dedham Street may be raised would report, that they are fully impressed with the necessity for the improvement asked for by the petitioners being made but they

do not feel like recommending the expenditure of a large amount of money this year as it would require to accomplish the work, and would therefore recommend that the petition and accompanying estimate be referred to the next Board of Aldermen with the recommendation that the subject receive the earliest attention at their hands. Respectfully Submitted, E. M. Standish, Chairman. Read & accepted. 1109. Aug. 8. 1864

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on the Market the transfer of State No. 12 Council Hall, Market from Howard Emerson to F. H. Crosby was approved by the Board. Market

Leave was granted to the following persons to keep Intelligence Offices in this city. Warren N. Baker 71 Trueman Street; J. J. J. 658 Washington Street; Peter W. 94 Mulbury Street; Rosa Steele 3 Oak Street; Moody and Smith 50 School Street; William Langley 140 Court Street. Intelligence Offices

Leave was granted to the following persons to deal in Second Hand Articles. Eern Roddy 459 Harrison Avenue. Samuel Dimmock 64 Northampton Street. Second hand articles

Leave was granted to Stone Rossiter & Co. to exhibit a circus company on the Old State Lands, South End, from August 16th to 20th and at South Boston. Stone

On petition of Asdale Drake & others that Schigh Street may be laid out as a public highway, to connect with Federal Street, the Committee on Streets reported that the measure is inexpedient at this time. Read & accepted. Drake. Schigh Street.

On petition of Owen Munday

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Munday
to be paid for damages occasioned by change of grade on
Fulham Street, the Committee on Paving reported leave to with-
draw. Read and accepted.

Willard

Leave was granted to Henry
Willard to open the Howard Athenaeum for the ensuing Dra-
matic Season.

Broadway
Railroad
location.

Ordered: That in addition to
the right heretofore granted to the Broadway Railroad Com-
pany, to lay down tracks in the streets of the City of Boston,
said company shall have the further right to lay down two
tracks in Broadway, from K to L street; thence one track in L
street to Fourth Street, to connect with the track now laid
down on said Fourth Street; and to construct such curve
tracks on Broadway, Fourth and K streets to enter the new
shops and car house of said Broadway Railroad company,
located on said street; as the Committee on Paving of the
Board of Aldermen and the Superintendent of Streets shall
from time to time determine and allow. The right to lay
down the above-described tracks and curves is under the
express proviso and condition that said Broadway Railroad
company shall, at all times after the rails are laid down, keep
in good order and complete repair with round or cobblestone
pavements, at their own expense, that portion of the roadway
or cartway in which tracks shall be laid under authority
of this order of location, lying within the rails, and adjacent
thereto and lying outside of the same, extending six feet from
and outside of each outer rail, to the satisfaction of the Super-
intendent of Streets. And whenever the Board of Aldermen shall

from time to time determine and order that the portion of the 411
railway in which the tracks are located under authority of Aug. 8 1864
this order of location, as above described, shall be repaired with
round or cobblestone, the whole expense of such repairing shall
be paid by the Broadway Railroad Company, the work to be
done by the Superintendent of Streets, under authority of the
Board of Aldermen. Also, under the further express proviso and
condition, that the Board of Aldermen reserve the right
to permit any other horse railroad company to run cars over
the tracks so located by authority of this order, for such
compensation to be paid the Broadway Railroad Company
as shall be determined by law and upon such terms and
conditions as the Board of Aldermen for the time being shall pre-
scribe. Also, under the further express proviso and condition, that
the whole work of laying down the track granted under au-
thority of this order, shall be done under the direction and to
the satisfaction of the Committee on Paving of the Board of Al-
dermen and the Superintendent of Streets, and that in the
construction of said tracks granite blocks of such size as the
Superintendent of Streets shall direct, shall be laid down in-
side and outside of each rail. Also, that the form of rail to be
laid down shall be satisfactory to the Committee on Paving
of the Board of Aldermen and Superintendent of Streets, and
shall be approved by them. Also, under the further express pro-
viso and condition, that the said Broadway Railroad Company
shall accept this order of location, and agree to its several
provisions and conditions, in writing, within ten days of the
date of its passage; otherwise it shall be null and void. Read
once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on Monday the fifteenth day of August Anno Domini, 1864.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Lundy & Severi.

Goddard
Street

The Superintendent of Health represented to the Board that a necessity exist for the construction of a sewer in Goddard Street, as a means of abating a nuisance there. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Funeral
Undertakers

Petition of Funeral Undertakers for a modification of the Health Ordinance so that their fees may be increased. Referred to the Committee on Cemeteries.

East Boston
Gas Co.

Petition of the East Boston Gas Company that the price of gas for street lamps at East Boston may be increased. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Critcherson

Petition of John Critcherson, Jr. that the City would use his sweeping machine in the City Streets. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Manson

Petition of Manson, Peterson & Co. and others for an additional Steam Fire Engine at East Boston. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Union
Street

Protest of Alpheus Nelson and the Bay State Ice Company against the proposed extension

of 2^d Street to the water. Referred to the Committee on Paving. 1/13

Aug. 15. 1864.
Gibbs

Petition of Horace G. Gibbs and others that India Street between C and E Streets, may be accepted. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of the Broadway Railroad Company for an extension of location over Dover Street Bridge, through Lever and Berkeley Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Broadway Railroad

Petition of Mc Kay and others and others that the East Boston Ferry Company may be compelled to run a night boat to and from East Boston and the City. Referred to Aldermen Norcross, Starns and Warren. Mc Kay

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of East Street by taking land of Samuel Hatch, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets. East Street

Petition of Harrison A. Wood to be compensated for injuries sustained by his wife Eliza Wood from an alleged defect in 2^d Street, between Broadway and Fourth Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence August 16. Came up concurred. Wood

Ordered: That the bill of Lewis Rice for supplies furnished the City Government amounting to five hundred and thirty four dollars and seventy five cents, be paid, provided it is approved and allowed in the usual manner. Passed in Common Council. Came up for Bill to be paid Rice

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Buildings

Supt.

horse &c.

concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor
August 16 1864

Ordered: That in lieu of the two

hundred dollars alloted to the Superintendent of Public Buildings for horse hire, the Committee on Public Buildings be authorized to provide said officer with a suitable horse and wagon and that the horse be kept at the City Stables. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor August 16 1864.

Institutions

rules

The Committee on Institutions, to whom was referred the communication of the Board of Directors for Public Institutions, having duly considered the same, ask leave to Report: That in their opinion it would be for the benefit of the Institutions that the rules should be amended in the manner proposed in the communication of the Directors; and they would recommend that the said amendments should be adopted by the City Council. For the Committee, G. H. Messinger, Chairman. In Common Council. Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor August 16. 1864.

East Street

Hatch

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that East Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Samuel Hatch bounded as follows, viz: Northwardly by the proposed line of widening of said street, there measuring fifty eight feet and $\frac{5}{8}$ of 100;

Southwardly by the present line of said street forty eight feet 143
and $3\frac{1}{2}$ in; and Westwardly by land formerly taken of George Aug. 15. 1864
H. Phillips to widen said street four feet and 7 in. containing
one hundred and five square feet, more or less. And Whereas,
due notice has been given of the intention of this Board
to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid,
as appears by the return hereunto annexed. It is therefore
Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and
the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street
or way of the said City - according to a plan of the said
widening made by S. Henry Crafts, City Engineer, dated Aug-
ust 15th 1864, and deposited in the office of the said Board
of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the ex-
pense of widening the said East Street, as aforesaid, will
amount to two hundred and ten dollars; which sum, to-
gether with the amount of estimates of previous alterations
or discontinuances in said street, during the present munici-
pal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.
Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor August 16.
1864.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police Beaul
be directed to enforce so much of Chap. 49 of the General
Statute as relates to the manufacture and sale of bread,
by causing all places where bread is sold by the loaf to be
visited at least once a week, and by prosecuting all violations
of said Chapter in the manner provided in Section eight thereof.
Approved by the Mayor Aug. 17. 1864

Ordered: That the Superin- Marion
tendent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters and Street

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Aug. 15. 1864. macadamize Marion Street between Bennington and Prince-
ton Streets, East Boston, in conformity with the established grade,
and remove all such projections on the line of said Street
as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into
said Street not secured in accordance with the Ordinances
of the City, and those which are so much out of repair as to be
liable to become dangerous, and which the owners or occu-
pants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect.
Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Aug. 16. 1864

Cambridge
Street

Ordered, That the Superintend-
ent of Streets be authorized to repave Cambridge Street be-
tween Bowdoin Street and Bowdoin Square, with small
granite blocks or "trap rock blocks," and make such changes
in the grade of said Street, as he shall deem necessary, and
remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he
shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street,
which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances
of the City; and those which are so much out of repair as to
be liable to become dangerous, and which the owners or oc-
cupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect.

Cambridge
Railroad

Ordered, That the Cambridge Railroad Company be notified
of the passage of the above order to indicate to them that
the Board of Aldermen have determined, in accordance
with one of the provisions and conditions of the location
granted to said Company July 25. 1860, that the portion of
Cambridge Street mentioned in the order shall be re-paved
with what they shall deem to be the best of stone material,
the whole expense thereof to be paid by the Cambridge Rail

Read company. Ordered: That said work be commenced on 417
or before Sept. 1. 1864. and as said Cambridge Railroad company June 15 1864
are required to pay the whole cost of repairing the above de-
scribed roadway they can do so either by contracting with
parties to do the work under the direction and to the sat-
isfaction of the Superintendent of Streets or by paying for
the cost of the same to the parties employed by the Super-
intendent of Streets to furnish the labor and material re-
quisite to perform the work. Read twice and passed. Approved
by the Mayor August 16 1864.

Ordered: That the Superinten- Leverett
dent of Streets be authorized to repair Leverett Street between
Green and Causeway Streets, also Commercial Street between
Hanover and Battery Street, and make such changes in
the grade of said Street, as he shall deem necessary, and
remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he
shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said
Street, which are not secured in accordance with the Ord-
inances of the City; and those which are so much out of re-
pair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the own-
ers or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that
effect. Ordered, That the Metropolitan Railroad Company, succe- Metropolitan
sors of the Suffolk Railroad Company be notified of the pas- Railroad
sage of the above order to indicate to them that the Board of
Aldermen have determined in accordance with the provisions
and conditions contained in locations granted to the Suf-
folk Railroad Company that the portion of Leverett Street
and twenty-five feet of the roadway of Commercial Street as
above described shall be repaired, the whole expense thereof

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Aug. 15. 1864. to be paid by the Metropolitan Railroad Company. Ordered, That the said work shall be commenced on or before Sept. 1. 1864, and as said Metropolitan Railroad Company are required to pay the whole cost of repairing the above described roadway they can do so either by contracting with parties to do the work under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Streets or by paying for the cost of the same to the parties employed by the Superintendent of Streets to furnish the labor and material requisite to perform the work. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor (August 16. 1864.)

Leverett
Street

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters on Leverett Street between Green and Causeway Streets to furnish new edge stones to support the Sidewalk, and within twenty days. And that in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law.

Cambridge
Street

Ordered, That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters on Cambridge Street between Bowdoin Street and Bowdoin Square; also on the northerly side between Chambers and North Russell Street, to furnish new edge stones to support the Sidewalk, within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law.

Marion
Street

Ordered, That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters on Marion Street, East Boston, between Bennington and Saratoga Streets, who

have not done so, to furnish new edge-stones to support the
sidewalk, and to lay their sidewalks with brick within twenty
days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by
the City, at their expense, according to law.

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Aug. 13. 1861

Ordered, That the Chief of Police
be directed to notify the owners and abutters on Shawmut Av-
enue between Waltham and Bradford Street, who have not
done so, to furnish new edge-stones to support the sidewalk,
and to lay their sidewalks with brick, within twenty days.
And that in default thereof, the same will be done by the City,
at their expense, according to law.

Shawmut
Avenue

Whereas Nathan M. Marble has
given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings
on Harrison Avenue, in the said City, and in the opinion
of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants
require that the said street should be widened at the place
described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered:
That due notice be given to the said Nathan M. Marble, &
to Mary A. Marble, his wife, that this Board intend to wid-
en the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the
land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying
out the same as a public street and that Monday, the
twenty-ninth day of August instant, at four o'clock, P.M., is
assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may
be made thereto.

Harrison
Avenue

Marble

Ordered, That due notice be
given that this Board will, on Monday the twenty-ninth
of August instant, at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration

Myrtle
Street

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Aug. 13. 1864 the expediency of constructing the common sewer in Myrtle Street between 1st and South Russell Streets, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such common sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Gas

The Inspector of Gas submitted to the Board his report on the quality of Gas made in this City in the month of July. Read and placed on file.

Saratoga
Street

fences

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be and he is hereby directed to notify the heirs of William H. Sumner, Charles Andre, William H. Bangs, Alfred Randall and Catherine Fuller, to erect fences upon the line of Saratoga Street between Wordsworth and Humboldt Streets, in front of lots owned by them adjoining the highway in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 9 of the Ordinance in relation to Streets passed April 28. 1863; the said Saratoga Street being dangerous without fences.

Johnson

Scale

Whereas, on the sixteenth day of May 1853 leave was granted to John Southwick and others to place a Platform Scale in the public highway at the corner of Dorchester Avenue and Foundry Street - and whereas it appears that said scale has been sold to other parties without the consent of this Board - and whereas a platform scale is a public convenience at that point, it is hereby Ordered: That leave be given to Robert Johnson, the present

proprietor of said scale, to maintain and use said scale at the location indicated, on condition that he shall acquire no right in the highway by such maintenance and use, and that he will agree to convey said scale to no other party except the City of Boston. See bond on file.

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Aug. 15. 1864.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to give notice to the owners of estates numbered 7. and 9. Temple Street to close the opening into the sidewalk in front of their respective estates within ten days of the date of this order the same being deemed dangerous, and if not closed at the expiration of the above mentioned time the Superintendent of Streets is further directed to cause the same to be closed at the cost of said owners.

Temple
Street.

On representation of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, it was Ordered: That all the officers and members of Hose Company N^o 3, except the Driver, be and hereby are discharged for insubordination.

Hose C^o
N^o 3

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board granting an extension of location to the Broadway Railroad Company in Broadway, L. and Fourth Streets was read a second time and was re-committed to the Committee on Paving.

Broadway
Railroad

Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Licenses the following persons were licensed as dealers in Second Hand Articles - Edward Gallagher 436 Sturgeson Avenue. Michael Gilman 41 $\frac{1}{2}$ Salem St. James W. Pittow 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ Beach St.

Second hand
articles

Aug. 15. 1864
Intelligence
Offices

Accordingly to the reports of the Committee on Licenses the following persons were appointed keepers of Intelligence Offices. H. Straighten 36 Lynde Street; Mrs. M. J. Lemett 6 Hollis Street; Mrs. Sarah Rice 130 Washington Street; Daniel A. Gilman 36 Washington Street; Edward Ryan 120 Battle Square; Lyman Thurston 62 Charles Street; John H. Holmes 100 Washington Street; C. K. Woodcock 28 Mulbury Street; Mrs. L. H. Wing 2 1/2 Bromfield Street.

Weiler

On petition of Ignatius Weiler for a Hugen Stand at 677 Washington Street, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

I
Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Sewers be, and hereby is, directed to construct a Sewer in I Street, from First Street to the water. Read once.

Centre
Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade Centre Street, East of Boston, according to plan of grade approved by the Committee on Paving of the Board of Aldermen, anything contained in the order of the Board of Aldermen of January 25. 1864 concerning said Centre Street to the contrary notwithstanding. The parties on said Centre Street having given fee & grade papers satisfactory to the Committee on Paving. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday August 29th at 4 o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board 1423

of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall
on Monday the twenty ninth day of August Anno Domini
1864

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Horn,
Warren, Davies and Sprague.

Four Grand Jurors were drawn Jurors
for the Superior Criminal Court.

Petition of George P. Ray, Head Ray
Master of Grain that his fees may be increased. Referred
to the Committee on Licenses.

On nomination by the Mayor Juant
George M. Felch was appointed a Juant Officer in place of
George W. Oliver resigned. Officer.

On nomination by the Mayor Police
D. L. Wentworth and William A. Nason were appointed &
confirmed as Police Officers of this City with all the powers
of Constables except the power of serving and executing
civil process. Officers

Agreeably to the recommen- Fire
dation of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department
the discharges of E. N. Leach from Engine Company N^o 8
William Davis and Charles Brownell from Hook & Ladder
Company N^o 1. and Henry Durant from Hook & Ladder
Company N^o 3. were confirmed by the Board. Department.

On nomination by the Mayor Fire
the following persons were appointed members of the Fire Department

424. Department. Richard Fortune in Engine Company N^o 8.
July 29 1864. Peter Garland in Hook and Ladder Company N^o 1. and
John Lynum was appointed an Axe and Pikesman

Soldiers
Relief

Reuben Peterson Jr. Paymaster
of Soldiers' Relief Committee reported that for the quarter
ending June 30th there was disbursed to soldiers families the
sum of seven hundred and forty nine dollars and seventy
seven cents. Read & sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

First
Mass
Regiment

Petition of certain recruits
for the First Regiment of Massachusetts Volunteers to be
paid the United States' Bounty of one hundred dollars
each which has been withheld from them, they having join-
ed said Regiment pursuant to General Order N^o 28, for 1862.
Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concur-
rence Oct. 6. Came up concurred.

Pawnbrokers
Supt.
Salary

Ordered: That the salary
of the Superintendent of Pawnbrokers &c. shall be at
the rate of two dollars and seventy five cents for each
and every day that he is employed; said salary to take
effect from the first day of April 1864; said sum to be in lieu
of that heretofore voted to said officer. Read twice & passed.
Sent down for concurrence. October 13, came up concurred. Ap-
proved by the Mayor Oct. 14. 1864

Charlestown

A vote of thanks from the City
of Charlestown for the offer by the City Council of Boston
to furnish a supply of water to the former City during the
prevailance of the recent drought, was read and sent down.
In Common Council. Placed on file.

The order submitted at the 425
last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Sewers Aug. 29. 1864
to extend the I Street sewer below First Street to the dock, I
was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Street
August 30. 1864.

The order submitted at the Centre
last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets Street
to grade Centre Street was read a second time and passed.
Approved by the Mayor Aug. 31. 1864.

The Committee on Paving Broadway
to whom was recommended the order for an additional loca- Railroad
tion to the Broadway Railroad Company in South Boston,
would report the said order back to the Board in an amended form. For the Committee, L. Miles Gaudish, Chairman.
Ordered: That in addition to the rights heretofore granted to
the Broadway Railroad Co. to lay down tracks in the streets
of the City of Boston, said Company shall have the further
right to lay down two tracks in Broadway, from K. to L.
Streets; thence one track in L. Street to Fourth Street, to con-
nect with the track now down on said Fourth Street;
and to construct such curve tracks on Broadway,
Fourth and K. streets to enter the new stable and car-
house of said Broadway Railroad Company, located
on said streets, as the Committee on Paving of the Board
of Aldermen and the Superintendent of Streets shall from
time to time determine and allow. The right to lay down
the above-described tracks and curves is under the ex-
press proviso and condition that said Broadway Rail-
road Company shall, at all times after the rails are

426. laid down, keep in good order and complete repair at
Aug. 29. 1864. their own expense. The roadway or cutway in which tracks
shall be laid under authority of this location, to the sat-
isfaction of the Superintendent of Streets. And whenever
the Board of Aldermen shall from time to time determine
and order that the roadway or any part thereof in which
the tracks are located under authority of this order of loca-
tion, as above described, shall be paved or repaved with round
a cubic stone, the whole expense of such paving or repaving
shall be paid by the Broadway Railroad Company, the
work to be done by the Superintendent of Streets, under au-
thority of the Board of Aldermen. Also under the further ex-
press proviso and condition, that the Board of Aldermen
reserve the right to permit any other horse railroad compa-
ny to run cars over the tracks so located by authority of
this order, for such compensation to be paid to the Broad-
way Railroad Company as shall be determined by law
and upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Al-
dermen for the time being shall prescribe. Also, under the
further express proviso and condition, that the whole work
of laying down the track granted under authority of this or-
der, shall be done under the direction and to the satis-
faction of the Committee on Firing of the Board of Alder-
men and the Superintendent of Streets, and that in the con-
struction of said tracks granite blocks of such size as the
Superintendent of Streets shall direct, shall be laid down
inside and outside of each rail. Also, that the form of rail
to be laid down shall be satisfactory to the Committee on
Firing of the Board of Aldermen and Superintendent of

Streets, and shall be approved by them. Also, under the
further express proviso and condition that the said Newbury
Railroad Company shall accept this order of location, and
agree to its several provisions and conditions, in writing,
within ten days of the date of its passage; otherwise it shall
be null and void. Read, accepted and the order passed.
Approved by the Mayor August 30. 1864.

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Aug. 29. 1864

Ordered: That the Superin-
tendent of Streets be directed to cause to be removed the
signs Hawthorne Street and Burlington Street which have
been placed without authority on buildings on Canton Street
and Dedham Street westerly of Tremont Street, and to
place instead thereof signs Canton Street and Dedham
Street respectively. Such being the official names of said
streets. Approved by the Mayor August 30. 1864.

Canton
Street.

Dedham
Street
signs.

Ordered: That the Chief of
Police be directed to notify the owner or owners of estates on
the southerly side of Dedham Street between Washington
Street and Myrtle Street to reduce the cellar openings into
the sidewalk in front of said estates to three feet in the
clear from the line of the buildings into the sidewalk and
to have stone curbs set around said openings in place of
the wooden ones which now support the platforms over
said openings within ten days of the date of this order
and in default thereof the Superintendent of Streets is di-
rected to close said openings at the cost of said owner or
owners.

Dedham
Street
openings

Aug. 29, 1864. Lands on the part of the Commonwealth offered to the
Marlborough city, in acceptance that part of Marlborough Street which
Street lies between Marlborough and Berkeley Streets. Referred to the
Committee on Paving.

Harrison
Avenue

No person appearing to object
to the proposed widening of Harrison Avenue by taking land
of Nathan M. and Mary A. Marble, said subject was re-
committed to the Committee on Streets.

Myrtle
Street

No person appearing to object
to the proposed construction of a Sewer in Myrtle Street from
Joy Street to South Russell Street, said subject was recom-
mitted to the Committee on Sewers.

Broadway
Railroad

On petition of the Broad-
way Railroad Company for leave to extend their location
by construction of a track from South Street over Lower Street
Bridge through Lower and Berkeley Streets to Duane Street.
it is Ordered: That the petitioners give fourteen days notice
to the abutters upon the streets above mentioned that this
Board will on Monday the nineteenth day of September
next at four o'clock P. M. take into consideration the ex-
pediency of granting the prayer of the petitioners when any
person objecting thereto may appear and be heard; said
notice to be given by publication of said petition and this
order therein in all the daily papers of this City.

Metropolitan
Railroad

Agreeably to assignment the
Board took up the subject of the petition of the Metropolitan

Railroad Company for an extension of their location in Main
Street as far as Gaymarket Square, also in Chestnut
and Elm Streets to Pleasant Street, but it appearing that
said Corporation had not given due notice to the abutters on
said Streets as required by the order of this Board passed
August 8th last, it was Ordered: That said Company give
fourteen days notice to the abutters on said Streets that this
Board will, on Monday the twenty-sixth day of September
at four and a half o'clock, P.M., consider the expediency of
granting the prayer of said petitioners, when any parties ob-
jecting thereto may appear and be heard. Said notice to
be given by publication of said petition and this order thereon
in all the daily papers of this City.

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Aug. 29 1864

On petition of Richard
Ward for leave to occupy a brick building on Chestnut
Street below Charles Street, as a Stable for more than four
horses, the Committee on Internal Health reported that
the prayer of the petitioner be granted. Read and accepted.

Read.
Stable

Whereas it appears to this
Board that a nuisance exists on premises in South Margin
Street caused by an obstructed and defective drain on
said premises, belonging to W. Fisher & Co. Deighton, John A.
Ryan, William Guldbeck, George W. Kingman, agent, Joseph
Bachler, and Margaret Dumbrecht, which is dangerous to the
health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Super-
intendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause
said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions
and constructing a new drain at the expense of said parties,

South
Margin
Street

430 who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to
Aug. 29. 1864 abate said nuisance

Phipp's
Place.

Whereas it appears to this Board
that a nuisance exists on premises in Phipp's Place, Charter &
Salem Streets caused by an obstructed and defective drain
on said premises, belonging to Messrs of W. Newbury, Miss
William Phipps, Fred Nick, Miss Francis Holden, Horace
Gold, Horace Farrington, J. M. Pennerly, Miss Ezra Eaton,
Halter & Nick, and Samuel Smith, Trustees, which is danger-
ous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered,
That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby
directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by remov-
ing all obstructions or repairing or constructing a new
drain at the expense of said parties who, having been
duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuis-
ance.

Auctioneers

Agreeably to the report of the
committee on Licenses Turner and Swift were appointed
Auctioneers at No 39 Federal Street.

Boston

Theatre

Leave was granted to Henry
C. Turner to give Dramatic Exhibitions at the Boston Theatre
the ensuing Season.

Morris

Leave was granted to Morris
Nichols Bell & Newbridge to give Musical Exhibitions at
their Opera House the ensuing Season.

Martin

Leave was granted to Peter
Martin to give a Sparring Exhibition at National Hall, Sep 5th next.

Agreeably to the reports of the 431
Committee on Licenses the following persons were licensed Aug. 29. 1864
as Printers B. Le Young 38 Eliot Street, W. A. and S. Under Printers
son, 70 Friend Street.

The following persons were licensed Second hand
as Dealers in Second Hand Articles Jeremiah Hillard articles
285-287 Broad Street - Daniel Wagner 245 Federal Street,
James O'Brien 343 Harrison Avenue.

The following persons were Intelligence
licensed as keepers of Intelligence Offices, viz: Roland C. offices
McKay 121 Court Street; Sarah J. Taylor 31 Bridge Street;
Sherlock Spooner 106 Blackstone Street.

Resolved, That the safety & Merrimac
convenience of the inhabitants of the city require that Street
Merrimack Street should be widened, and for that purpose
it is necessary to take and lay out as a public street or Washburn
way of the said city, a parcel of land belonging to Wil-
liam Washburn bounded as follows, viz: Northeastwardly
by the proposed line of widening of said street, there mea-
suring seventy six feet and $\frac{5}{8}$; Southwestwardly by the pres-
ent line of said street sixty three feet and $\frac{5}{8}$; Westwardly
by a curved line of sixteen feet radius connecting the
northeasterly line of Merrimac Street and the southeasterly
line of Causeway Street, thirty four feet and $\frac{7}{8}$; and North-
westwardly by Causeway Street twenty three feet and $\frac{34}{100}$;
containing eighteen hundred and fifty seven square feet
and $\frac{7}{10}$, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given

432. of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land
Aug. 29. 1864 for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto
annexed, it is therefore Ordered, that the parcel of land before
described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid
out as a public street or way of the said City - accord-
ing to a plan of the said widening made by N. Henry
Craft, City Engineer dated August 29th 1864 and deposit-
ed in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this
Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said
Merrimac Street, as aforesaid, will amount to five thous-
and, five hundred and seventy two & ⁵⁰/₁₀₀ dollars; which
sum, together with the amount of estimates of previous
alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the
present municipal year, does exceed the sum of five thous-
and dollars Read once

Tudor
Street

Ordered: That Tudor Street, so
called, between E. and F. streets be accepted and dedicated
as a public highway upon the owners and abutters there-
on giving a bond relinquishing all claims for grade dam-
ages. Ordered: That when the said part of Tudor Street is ac-
cepted in accordance with the above condition the Superin-
tendent of Streets is authorized to grade the same. Read
once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board 433
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall Sep. 5 1864
on Monday the fifth day of September Anno Domini 1864
Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Warren.

Petition of the South Boston South Boston
Gas Light Company for increase of compensation for light Gas Light Co
in Street Lamps in Ward 12. Referred to the Committee on
Lamps.

Petition of Robert H. Potter & Potter
claim for use of Faneuil Hall on Tuesday the sixth instant Faneuil Hall
for a political meeting was read and was granted by
the Board

Whereas, in the opinion of the Temple
Place
Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of
the City require that Temple Place should be laid out, wide-
ned, and extended as a public street bounded as follows, viz:
Northwestwardly by Tremont Street, there measuring forty feet;
Northeastwardly by the present line of said Temple Place,
ninety-one feet and five tenths of a foot; Southeastwardly by
the same, two feet; Northeastwardly by the same, three feet;
Northwestwardly by land of the United States of America,
seven feet; Northeastwardly by the proposed line of widening
of said Temple Place, two hundred and eighty-eight feet
and three one-hundredths of a foot; Southeastwardly by
land recently taken from the heirs of Catherine W. Lockman
to extend said Temple Place, thirty-nine feet and nine-
tenths of a foot; Northeastwardly by the same, ninety-two

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feet and eighty-three one hundredths of a foot; Southeast-
wardly by Washington Street eleven feet and seventy-six
one hundredths of a foot; Southwardly by the proposed
line of extension and widening of said Temple Place, three
hundred and seventy-one feet and eighty-nine one hun-
dredths of a foot; Northwestwardly by a common passage-way
four feet wide, five feet; and Southwardly by the said
passage way, and by the present line of said Temple Place,
one hundred and four feet; containing nineteen thousand
one hundred and sixteen square feet and ninety-two one-
hundredths of a square foot, more or less; the said land be-
ing shown on a plan made by N. Henry Cuyt, City Engi-
neer, dated September 5, 1864, and deposited in the office
of the said City Engineer, it is therefore hereby Ordered, that
due notice be given to the heirs of Josiah Dudley, James
Savage, Edward Craft, Maria L. Lamb, John G. Cushing, Rob-
ert H. Cushing, Thomas F. Cushing, Wm. N. Gardiner, John M.
Fries, John G. Cushing, Trustees for Maria Louisa Brit. N. H.
Emmons, J. B. Wales, G. W. Wales, Trustees of the Estate of J. B.
Wales, William N. Gardiner, George B. Upton, Thomas C. Amory, Jr.
Rebecca A. Amory, Isabella L. Amory, James T. Amory, Thomas C.
Amory, Jr. Trustees, Samuel Meredith, Frances M. Newlith, wife
of Samuel Newlith, George A. Appleton, Francis Appleton,
Franklin G. Dexter, George Greene, Elizabeth Greene, L. D. Hyde,
Thomas Thompson, Charles Blake, United States of America,
James Lee, Charles G. Putnam, A. H. Vinton, Betsey Gibson,
The Provident Institution for Savings in the Town of Boston,
Isaac Milner, Nancy Salisbury, Reuben Greene, heirs of Catharine
H. Cardman, and all other persons owning or having rights

in said parcel of land, that this Board intend to lay out, 1435
widen and extend Temple Place as before mentioned, and to Sep 5. 1864
take the before-described parcel of land thereof and that Mon-
day, the nineteenth day of September, instant, at four o'clock,
P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which
may be made thereto.

A message from His Honor, the Franklin
Mayor: To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Diploma
Boston, Gentlemen: I have the pleasure of transmitting to
the City Government the Honorary Diploma of Membership,
given by the Academy of Sciences at St. Petersburg, to
Dr. Franklin in the year 1789. This is gift, as will be seen
by the accompanying letter, from the Hon. W. J. Duane of Phil-
adelphia, a relative of Dr. Franklin, in whose possession it
has been for many years. This interesting memorial of the
great Bostonian will be appreciated by the citizens of Boston,
and our thanks are due to the distinguished gentleman
who has seen fit to make the City the depository of this inter-
esting token of the esteem and respect in which Franklin
was held during his life-time by the men of Science of the
Great Empire of Russia. I would suggest that it be suitably
framed and hung upon the walls in some apartment of our
new City Hall. F. W. Lincoln, Jr. - Read, and thereupon, it was
Resolved: That the thanks of the City Council be presented
to Hon. William J. Duane of Philadelphia for his very valua-
ble and interesting present to the City of Boston of the origi-
nal Diploma conferred on Benjamin Franklin by the Acad-
emy of Sciences of St. Petersburg, Russia. Resolved: That said
Diploma be appropriately framed and suspended in the

436. City Seal as a memorial of the distinguished Bostonian
Sep. 5. 1864. In whom it was conferred. Sent down for concurrence.
Oct 6. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor October 8. 1864

Goodwin.

Remonstrance of E. Stone Goodwin and others against the proposed location of a Steam Fire engine at corner of West Cedar and Revere Streets. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. October 6. Came up concurred.

Merrimac
Street.

The resolve and order taking eighteen hundred and fifty seven sq. feet of land from William Washburn to widen Merrimac Street as submitted at the last meeting of the Board, were read a second time and the question being on the passage of the same, Alderman Norcross moved to amend said resolve & order to substituting thereof the following: Resolved, that the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that Merrimac Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to William Washburn bounded as follows, viz: Northeastwardly by the proposed line of widening of said street, there measuring Seventy Seven feet; Southeastwardly by land heretofore described as taken from Ezekiel Bates to widen said street, fourteen feet and 7/100; Southwestwardly by the present line of Merrimac Street, fifty three feet and 1/100; Westwardly by a curved line of sixteen feet radius connecting the northeasterly line of Merrimac Street and the

Southeasterly line of Causway Street, thirty four feet and $\frac{7}{10}$; 437
and easterly boundary by Causway Street forty one feet and $\frac{1}{10}$; 1864.
and $\frac{56}{100}$; containing three thousand one hundred and
twenty-five square feet, more or less. Also, a parcel of land
belonging to Ezekiel Bate, bounded as follows, viz: Northeast- Bate
wardly by the proposed line of widening of said street there
measuring nineteen feet and $\frac{65}{100}$; Southwestwardly by the
present line of Merrimac Street, twenty four feet and $\frac{31}{100}$;
and Northwestwardly by land above described as taken
from William Washburn to widen said street, fourteen
feet and $\frac{77}{100}$; containing one hundred and forty five
square feet, and $\frac{7}{10}$, more or less. And Whereas, due notice
has been given of the intention of this Board to take the
said parcels of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears
by the return herunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered,
That the parcels of land before described be, and the same
hereby are, taken and laid out as a public street or way
of the said city, according to a plan of the said widen-
ing made by S. H. Henshaw, City Engineer, dated September
5th 1864, and deposited in the Office of the said Board of
Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense
of widening the said Merrimac Street, as aforesaid, will
amount to nine thousand three hundred and seventy
five dollars; which sum, together with the amount of es-
timates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said
street, during the present municipal year, does exceed
the sum of five thousand dollars. Which amendment was
adopted and said new resolve and order passed. Sent down
for concurrence. Sep. 5. Same up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Oct. 22, 1864.

Ordered; That the City Treas-

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Hospital
Funds.

urer be and he is hereby authorized to invest the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars of the Goodnow bequest, and one thousand dollars of the Nichols bequest in aid of the City Hospital, in six per cent City Scrip to date from July 1st 1864; the interest thereof to be paid semi-annually to the Trustees of the City Hospital for the purpose of defraying the expenses of that Institution. Read twice & passed. Sent down for concurrence. Oct. 6. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor October 6. 1864

Rogers

The Committee on Armories &c to whom was referred the petition of James C. Rogers to be reimbursed for expenses in obtaining recruits reported a reference of said petition to the Committee on claims. Read, accepted and referred accordingly. Sent down for concurrence. October 6. Came up concurred.

Judor
Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the acceptance of Judor Street between E and F streets was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Sep. 8. 1864.

Salaries.

The Committee appointed to confer with a Committee of the Common Council on so much of the Salary Bill as relates to the Salaries of the Drivers of Steam Fire Engines, have attended to that duty and respectfully report: That the two Committees have agreed to recommend that the pay of the Drivers of Steam Fire Engines be fixed at sixty-five dollars per month. for the

committee. S. A. Denio, chairman. Read and accepted, and 1139.
the Board thereupon fixed the salaries of the Surveyors of the
Fire Engines at sixty five dollars per month. On motion of
Alderman Denio the 35th Section of the Salary Bill was
still further amended by inserting the following clause
The Survey of Hook and Ladder Company No 3 shall be
paid at the rate of sixty five dollars per month. Sent down
in concurrence. October 6. Came up concurred. Approved by
the Mayor October 8. 1864

A notice of the acceptance
by the Broadway Railroad Company on the first of Septem-
ber instant of the location granted to said Company and
approved August 30. 1864, was filed with the City Clerk on
the second of September 1864.

On nomination by the
Mayor the admissions of James Mill, William F. Gayle, John
Remond, Joseph F. Bolton, George W. Clark and Darwin F. Bart-
lett into Fire Company No 3 were approved by the Board.

On petition of the Metropol-
itan Railroad Company for leave to construct a single track
in Knickerbocker, West Bedford and Lincoln Street as a sub-
stitute for the Broad Street route which they propose to a-
bandon, if their prayer be granted - also for a short track
in Bowdoin Square to connect their tracks with those of the
Cambridge Railroad - it was Ordered: That the petitioners
give fourteen days notice to the abutters upon the streets above
mentioned that this Board will on Monday the twenty sixth
day of September instant at four and a half o'clock P.M.

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Sep. 5. 1864. take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the petitioners when any parties objecting thereto may appear and be heard: said notice to be given by publication of said petition and this order thereon in all the daily papers of this City.

Gas The State Inspector of Gas submitted to the Board the state of the Gas for the last month. Read and placed on file.

Chambers Street. Ordered, That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters numbered 45, 47, 49, 54, 55, and 57, on Chambers Street to furnish new edge stones to support the sidewalk, within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law.

Coal Weigher. Samuel B. Livermore was appointed a Coal Weigher in this City.

Second hand articles The following persons were licensed as Dealers in Second Hand Articles, Joseph Collins, 452 Harrison Avenue; - Gustavus Goldsmith 132 1/2 Essex Street.

Sunlap On petition of John F. Sunlap and others that West Newton Street may be accepted, the Committee on Paving reported that action thereon is inexpedient at the present time. Read and accepted.

Whidden. On petition of Thomas J. Whidden that the wall of his estate N^o 483 Tremont Street which has been injured by the filling up of said street, may be

repaired, the committee on paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

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Ordered: That the following Bills
bills for services rendered or materials furnished by persons connected directly or indirectly with the City Government be paid - provided they are approved, audited and allowed in the usual manner, viz: Holbrook and Harlow eight hundred and fifty dollars and seventy seven cents; J. Crosby, seven hundred and thirty seven dollars and ninety nine cents; three hundred and ninety four dollars and seven cents; seventy dollars and fifty four cents; thirty nine dollars and twenty six cents. Allen Cummings to three hundred and forty three dollars; one hundred and ninety two dollars and fifty five cents. S. W. Hall, forty dollars; ten dollars. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on Monday the twelfth day of September Anno Domini, 1864.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Lonic

Four Grand & Two Petit Jurors
were drawn for the United States District Court. Jurors

Sep 12, 1864
Metropolitan
Railroad

Petition of the Metropolitan Railroad Company that they may be allowed to increase their fares within this city so as to sell twenty-four tickets for one dollar. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Walsh

Petition of John Walsh and others that Rochester Street may be lighted with Gas. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Intelligence
Office

Petition of the Keepers of the Intelligence Offices of this City that their legal fees may be increased. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Hayweigher

On nomination by the Mayor Robert Johnson was appointed a Hayweigher at the Public Scales at South Boston.

Special
Police

On nomination by the Mayor, William B. Lindgate was appointed a Special Police Officer at St. Stephen's Chapel.

Sloan

Petition of S. W. Sloan and others for the use of Faneuil Hall November 7th for a political meeting. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall.

Bills

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay certain bills of Westbrook and Harlow, Newby, Eaton, Cummings & Co. N. W. Hall was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence October 8. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor
October 8, 1864

Ordered: That the Com- 443

mittee on Public Buildings be instructed to furnish for the present year suitable accommodations to the citizens of Ward Three, Four, Five and Ten for Ward meetings, the Ward Rooms in said Ward being taken up by the city for other purposes. Sent down for concurrence. S. C. Cunningham
cured. Approved by Mayor Oct. 8, 1864. Ward Rooms

The Committee on the Har- Harbor.

bor to whom was referred the matter of erecting Sea Walls at Great Brewster and Deer Bluffs, beg leave respectfully to represent. That after an unsuccessful effort to procure an appropriation from Congress, at the early part of its last session, for carrying on and completing the very important work of erecting adequate sea walls upon Great Brewster, Gallops, and Deer Bluffs, a request was made by the city to the State Legislature to undertake the work, trusting to the General Government for repayment. There being no prospect that the State would undertake it, on account of its present want of means and the large expenditures required by the war, the city of Boston made a proposition to assume the work if the State would refund the amount of the expenses from the proceeds of the sale of flats in Boston Harbor. This was accordingly passed authorizing the expenditure of One hundred and fifty thousand dollars upon these terms; and the city having accepted the Act, organized a commission to supervise the work, Maj. Blunt of the U. S. Engineer Corps unofficially consenting to advise in the matter. Mr. J. Deschke and Mr. N. H. Crafts were appointed consulting engineers, and Mr. W. A.

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Sep. 12. 1864 William to be the Acting Engineer. Mr. Brechke made the requisite Plans, which were submitted to and approved by the Governor and Council, as required by the Act, and were adopted July 14. 1864. At this time we learned that through the exertions of our Representatives in Congress, an appropriation of fifty thousand dollars had been obtained for these sea-walls. This rendered it unnecessary for the City to proceed as contemplated; and we understand that Col. Graham has been designated by the Government to superintend the work, and that he has already begun to make repairs upon the Deer Island Wall. The Committee respectfully submit the Plans and Specifications prepared by Mr. Brechke, with other papers, and respectfully recommend that they be placed on file for future reference. In the Committee, S. A. Hearn, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. October 6. Came up concurred.

Back Bay
Indenture

Ordered: That the Committee on the Back Bay appointed under the order of March 24. 1864 to make an agreement with the State of Massachusetts and the Boston Water Power Company respecting certain modifications of the Tripartite Agreement of December 11. 1850 between said parties and the City of Boston, be and they hereby are authorized to change said proposal modifications so that a sewer may be laid in Union Park and Union Park Street, instead of Bulfinch Street. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Oct. 6. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor October 8. 1864.

Ordered: That the Board 445

adopt the grade of Harvard Street, west of Causeway Street, as shown on a plan and profile made by the City Engineer, dated August 27th 1864, and deposited in the office of the Board of Aldermen Read twice and passed & approved by the Mayor Sep. 14. 1864. Sep. 12. 1864
Harvard
Street

The Committee on Paving Metropolitan
Railroad
location
to whom was recommended a portion of the petition of the Metropolitan Railroad Company in extension of track in this city, would respectfully report the accompanying order granting a location of double track in Charles Street to said Company. For the Committee, L. Miles Standish, Chairman.
Ordered: That in addition to the rights heretofore granted to the Metropolitan Railroad Company to lay down tracks in the streets of the City of Boston, said Company shall have the further right to lay down two tracks from their present track in Boylston Street through Charles Street to Cambridge Street, there to connect said tracks with those of the Cambridge Railroad Company down in said Cambridge Street and enter upon and use with their horses and cars the tracks of the said Cambridge Railroad Company in Cambridge, Chambers and Green Streets and in Bowdoin Square, with authority to connect the tracks of said Cambridge Railroad Company down in said Bowdoin Square with those of the Metropolitan Railroad Company down in said Bowdoin Square formerly known as those of the Suffolk Railroad Company. The right to lay down these tracks is granted under the express proviso & condition to this location, that said Metropolitan Railroad

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Sep. 12. 1864 Corporation shall at all times after the rails are laid down, keep in good order and complete repair the whole of the roadway or cartway of Charles Street in which the tracks are laid, at their own expense, and to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Streets; and whenever the Board of Aldermen shall from time to time determine, & order that any of the said street, as above mentioned, through and in which the tracks are located by the terms and under the authority of this order, shall be repaved with what they deem to be the best of stone material, the whole expense of such paving shall be paid by said Metropolitan Rail Road Company, the work to be done by the Superintendent of Streets, under the authority of the Board of Aldermen. Also under the further express proviso and condition that the right to enter upon and use the tracks of the Cambridge Railroad Company under the authority of this order shall be upon the condition that said Metropolitan Rail Road Company shall pay to said Cambridge Railroad Company such compensation for the use of their tracks as may be agreed upon by them, and in case of disagreement the compensation to be thus paid shall be determined according to law. Also, under the further express proviso and condition that the whole work of laying down the tracks granted by this order, and the precise location of the tracks to be laid down, and the form of rail to be used, shall be under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Committee on Sewing, and the Superintendent of Streets, and shall be approved by them. Also, under the further express proviso & condition that the Board of Aldermen reserve the right

to allow any other horse railroad company to run cars over 447.
the tracks located by the authority of this order, for such com- Sep 12. 1864
pensation, to be paid to the Metropolitan Railroad Company,
as may be mutually agreed upon; or in case of disagree-
ment, the compensation to be thus paid shall be determin-
ed according to law. And under the further express proviso
and condition that the said Metropolitan Railroad Com-
pany shall accept this order of location, and agree to its
several provisions and conditions within twenty days from
the date of its passage; and shall file the same with the
city clerk otherwise it shall be null and void. The road-
way or cartway mentioned in this order is to include the
whole of the space between the edgestones supporting the
sidewalk on either side. Read twice and passed. Approved
by the Mayor September 14. 1864.

Leave was granted to Charles Greene
Greene and others to hold a political meeting at Faneuil Faneuil Hall
Hall on Saturday September 17. 1864.

Ordered: That due notice
be given that this Board will, on Monday, Sept. 26 at four
o'clock, P.M. take into consideration the expediency of con-
structing common sewers for carrying off the surface water,
in all the streets of this city south of Lever Street and east
of the line of the Water Power Company's lands; and of
assessing the expense thereof on all parties who may enter
their particular drains into either of said common sewers,
or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any ben-
efit thereby; Any person making objections thereto will then
and there be heard.

Surface
Sewerage

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Hester

Place

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises in Hester Place caused by waste water in cellars and defective drainage on said premises belonging to Andrew Hinsworth, William Hoffman, William Marden and W. L. Oliver, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing obstructions from said drain, or constructing a new one at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Eighth

Street

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises situated on Eighth Street caused by defective drainage and overflowing vaults on said premises, belonging to Henry Jafford, Tombs & Sennely, Sgt. Timothy Hannon, Gallagher and May, John Mullay, George A. Wells, agent, Taylor and Adams, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by conveying all waste water and conductors into sewer and cleaning said vaults at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Sturgis

Place

Improvement

Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board passed on the eighteenth day of July 1864, a nuisance has been abated in Sturgis Place, the cost of which was twenty one ¹⁵/₁₀₀ dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore

Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule here- 449
unto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and Sep. 12. 1864
they jointly are charged and assessed with the sums
therein set to their respective names, as their proportionate
part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance,
and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof
given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Leave was granted to Julia Intelligence
Lazie to keep an Intelligence Office at 282 Tarent Street. Office

On petition of Luther Parks Jr. Parks
and others that the grade of Newland Street be given to
them, the Committee on Paving reported that no action
is required thereon. Read & accepted.

Agreesably to assignment Metropolitan
the Board took up the subject of the petition of the Metropolitan
Railroad Company for a location over Lower
Street Bridge, East Lower Street &c. but the counsel not being
prepared to present the subject, it was postponed to Monday
the 26th instant at four and a half o'clock, P.M.

Agreesably to assignment Broadway
the Board took up the subject of the petition of the Broadway
Railroad Company for a location through Eighth Street &
the connections therewith to Rochester Avenue but the coun-
sel not being prepared to present the subject to the Board,
it was postponed to Monday the 26th instant at four and a
half o'clock, P.M.

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Clapp

On petition of Frederick Clapp and others that a new street be laid out between Seventh and Dorchester Streets, the Committee on Streets reported that action thereon is inexpedient at the present time. Read and accepted.

Library

Whereas, whatever tends to the intellectual, the moral and the religious development of a community should at all times receive the fostering care of government; therefore Ordered: That the Public Library be kept open for the public use on Sunday as on other days of the week, from the hours of ten o'clock AM to ten o'clock PM. Read once.

Brown
Contract.

Ordered: That the Committee on the Back Bay, appointed under the order of March 24. 1864, be and they hereby are authorized, with the advice of His Honor the Mayor and the City Solicitor, to negotiate for and arrange such changes in that portion of the contract made between the City of Boston and Messrs J. E. and N. Brown and approved by the City Council, June 20. 1864, which relates to a bridge over Ferdinand Street, as they may deem for the best interest of the City. Read once.

North
Russell
Street.

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave North Russell Street between Vine and Eaton Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street, as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street, which are not secured

in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those 451
which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become Sep 12, 1864
dangerous, and which the owners or occupants have re-
fused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost
three hundred dollars. Read once.

Ordered: That the Chief of North
Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters on North Russell Street
Russell Street between Vine and Eaton Streets to furnish nar-
edge stones to support the sidewalk within twenty days, and
that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at
their expense, according to law. Read once.

Ordered, That the Superin- Otis
tendent of Streets be authorized to repair Otis Street, and Street
make such changes in the grade of said Street, as he shall
deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the
line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close
all openings into said Street, which are not secured in ac-
cordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those which
are so much out of repair as to be liable to become danger-
ous, and which the owners or occupants have refused to re-
pair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost five hun-
dred dollars. Read once.

Ordered, That the Superintend- College
ent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters and mac- Street
adamize College Street between Sumner and Everett Street,
in conformity with the established grade, and remove all
such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem
dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street not se-

1452. cured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read
Sep. 12 1864 once.

Cottage
Street.

Ordered, That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abutters on said Cottage Street, to lay their sidewalks with brick or flat stones within twenty days. And that, in default thereof the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law. Read once.

Fruit
Yard.

The Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of the Sheriff of Suffolk County for an enlargement of the Jail Yard, by enclosing a portion of the City land adjacent thereto having considered the subject, would respectfully submit the following Report. The Committee upon visiting the premises found that the north wing of the jail is at the present time much exposed, having been made so by the recent extension of Fruit Street to North Charles Street, and leaving the fence on the north side adjoining the City land only a few feet from the jail building. The same being shown upon the accompanying plan. thereby rendering it necessary that the Jail Yard upon the north side should be enlarged, by adding the lot belonging to the City on Fruit Street. Which being done, and by selling off a portion of the land enclosed on Grove Street, that is not required within said Yard, would then make the Jail lot more desirable than at present situated. The Committee are unanimous in the opinion that the prayer of the petitioner should be granted, and therefore recommend the passage of the following order. To the Committee S. B. Rensinger, Chairman Com. Pub. Lands

Ordered: That the lot of land, bounded by North Charles and
Fruit Streets as shown upon a plan drawn by L. Henry Baylis,
City Engineer, dated September 3rd 1864 be added to the Jail
Yard and that the strip of land on Grove Street, also shown
upon the same plan, be set off from said Yard and placed
in charge of the Committee on Public Lands. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of
Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall
on Monday the nineteenth day of September Anno Dom-
ini, 1864.

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Sprague.

Petition of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company to be released from the obligation to repare Charles Street as set forth in the location recently granted to them. Referred to the Committee on Paving.	Metropolitan Railroad
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Petition of Jacob Bacon that the surface water issuing from a drain across Harrison Avenue may be diverted from his estate N ^o 372 Harrison Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Paving.	Bacon
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Censor.

Petition of James Connor for an
abatement of an assessment for construction of a sewer in
S. West. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Grant

Petition of Frederick Grant and
others that Rutland Square may be lighted with gas. Re-
ferred to the Committee on Lamps.

Baker

Petition of R. R. Baker and
others that Mercantile Street may be lighted with gas. Re-
ferred to the Committee on Lamps.

Thompson

Petition of John M. Clark Sec-
y of Suffolk County, that salaries may be determined for
the officers at the Jail. Referred to the Committee on the
Jail.

Temple
Place

No person appearing to object
to the proposed widening and laying out of Temple Place
as set forth in the order of notice passed on the fifth in-
stant. Said subject was recommended to the Committee
on Streets.

Constables

On nomination by the Mayor,
the following persons were appointed and confirmed
as constables of this City, viz: Francis M. Adams, Wil-
liam Andrews, Pinnet Bates, William W. Blake, Samuel
Brackett, Francis V. Buffinch, Silas Carden, Leander Clapp,
Samuel Clark, Joseph D. Colburn, Chase Cole, Daniel B. Cour-
tis, Albert G. Dawes, David M. R. Dow, Alvin S. Drew, Wil-
liam E. Eastbrook, Ephraim W. Farr, George M. Finch, Thomas
Felger, Allen F. Gale, William T. Gibbons, Luther A. Ham, John C.
Harrington, William Hastings, Zaccarius Holmes, Merrill H.

Henry, Alex. Hopkins, John Huston, Frederic P. Ingalls, William 1855.

T. J. Kelly, Perry L. Ladd, James Curtis, John T. Laiden, James 1864
Leighton, Thomas J. Lord, William L. Martin, William K. Ma-
son, Charles J. Merrill, Harum. Merrill, William Munroe, John B.
Nash, Isaac H. Nelson, Henry Nichols, Samuel Patterson, Jo-
seph Rice, Edward G. Richardson, Elihu Robinson, Charles
Robinson, John W. Rice, Charles Smith, Thomas H. Smith,
Jesse Southworth, James E. Spear, Oliver H. Spear, Henry Taylor,
Guy C. Underwood, John C. Warren, William Whitwell, John
Williams, John Wilson, Thomas P. Wilson, Isaac Worsley.

Petition of Peter Harvey and Harvey
others for the use of the Old School House at corner of River
and West Cedar Street for political purposes. Referred to the
Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence.
Oct. 6. Came up concurred.

The order submitted at the Jail
last meeting of the Board for the addition of a strip of Lands
land on North Charles and Fruit Streets to the Jail Lands
and for the surrender of a strip of land on Grove Street
to the Committee on Public Lands, was read a second
time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Oct. 6. Came up
concurred. Approved by Mayor Oct. 8. 1864

The order submitted at the Brown
last meeting of the Board for a modification of the Brown contract
Contract, so called, by which a change in the formation
of the Bridge over Ferdinand Street may be effected, was
read a second time and passed. Sent down for concu-
rrence. Oct. 6. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Oct. 8. 1864

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Library

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board, that the Public Library be kept open on the Sabbath, was read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Public Library with authority to report in print. Sent down for concurrence. October 6. Came up concurred.

La Grange
Place

Williams,

Hayden,

Sargent,

Rose,

Copeland,

Stevens,

Haynes

Shales

Whitney

Seland,

Seaver

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that La Grange Place should be laid out and extended as a public street, bounded as follows, viz: Northwardly by the present line of La Grange Place and by the northern line of the proposed extension of said La Grange Place, there measuring four hundred and sixty-six feet and forty-four one hundredths of a foot; Westwardly by Fremont Street, thirty feet; Southwardly by the southern line of the proposed extension of said La Grange Place and by the present line of said La Grange Place, four hundred and sixty-five feet and eighty-three one hundredths of a foot; and Eastwardly by Washington Street, thirty-two feet and ninety-seven one hundredths of a foot: containing fourteen thousand four hundred and thirty-seven square feet, more or less; the said land being shown on a plan made by N. Henry Crafts, City Engineer, dated July 16th 1864 and deposited in the office of the said City Engineer - it is therefore hereby ordered, that due notice be given to Horace N. Williams, Edward A. Williams, Sarah A. E. Williams, John C. Hayden, Susan A. B. Hayden, Henry S. Sargent, M. A. Sargent, Josiah Rose, heirs of Saml. Copeland, Elizabeth W. Stern, Charles Haynes, heirs of

Eduard Thales Eli. N. Whitney, Catherine E. wife of Eli. 1 Unit 457.
ny, Emerson Island, Charles N. Leura and all other persons Sep. 19. 1864
owning or having rights in said parcel of land, that this
Board intend to lay out and extend Du Grange Place as
before mentioned, and to take the before described parcel of
land therefor, and that Monday the third day of October,
next, at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hear-
ing any objections which may be made thereto.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Temple Place should be laid out widened and extended, and for that purpose it is necessary to take and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to S. K. Ammons, T. B. Hales and George W. Hales, Trustees of the Estate of T. B. Hales, bounded as follows, viz: North westwardly by Clement Street, there measuring forty feet, North eastwardly by the present line of Temple Place, ninety one feet and $\frac{3}{4}$; South eastwardly by the same, two feet; North eastwardly by the same, one hundred and fifteen feet and $\frac{9}{10}$; North westwardly by the same, two feet; North eastwardly by the same, one hundred and seventy five feet and $\frac{1}{10}$; South eastwardly by land recently taken from the heirs of Catherine Woodman to extend said Temple Place and by land hercin after described as taken from the said heirs to extend the said Place, thirty nine feet and $\frac{1}{10}$; South westwardly by the present line of said Temple Place, one hundred and seventy five feet and $\frac{1}{10}$; North westwardly by the same, two feet; South westwardly by the same, one hundred and five feet and $\frac{2}{10}$;

Temple Place.
Hales
Ammons
Trustees

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Savage.

Cruft.

Lamb.

Southeastwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from James Savage, two feet; and Southwestwardly by a common passageway four feet wide and by the present line of said Temple Place, one hundred and four feet: containing fourteen thousand eight hundred and forty five square feet, more or less. Also a parcel of land belonging to James Savage, bounded as follows, viz: Southwestwardly by the proposed line of widening of said Temple Place, there measuring twenty six feet and $\frac{3}{4}$; Southeastwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from Edward Cruft, seven feet; Northeastwardly by the present line of said Temple Place, twenty six feet $\frac{1}{2}$; and Northwestwardly by a common passageway four feet wide, seven feet: containing one hundred and eighty five square feet and $\frac{3}{4}$, more or less. Also a parcel of land belonging to Edward Cruft, bounded as follows, viz: Southwestwardly by the proposed line of widening of said Temple Place, there measuring twenty seven feet; Southeastwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from Maria S. Lamb, seven feet; Northeastwardly by the present line of said Temple Place, twenty seven feet; and Northwestwardly by land above described as taken from James Savage, seven feet: containing one hundred and eighty nine square feet, more or less. Also a parcel of land belonging to Maria S. Lamb, bounded as follows, viz: Southwestwardly by the proposed line of widening of said Temple Place, there measuring twenty one feet; Southeastwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from John Glushing and others, seven feet; Northeastwardly by the present line of said Temple Place, twenty one feet; and Northwestwardly by land above

described as taken from Edward Craft, seven feet: con- 459.
 taining one hundred and forty seven square feet, more 54 1/2 1864
 or less. Also a parcel of land belonging to John G. Cushing, Cushing
 Robert M. Cushing, Thomas Cushing and the following and
 Trustees, for Maria Louisa Boit, viz: William H. Gardiner, for
 M. Forbes and John G. Cushing, bounded as follows, viz: South
 Gardiner
 Trustees
 westwardly by the proposed line of widening of said Tem-
 ple Place, there measuring thirty feet and 36/100; South-
 east-
 wardly by land hereinafter described as taken from
 N. H. Emmons and others, Trustees, and by the present
 line of said Temple Place, seven feet; Southeastwardly
 by the present line of said Temple Place, thirty feet and
 4/100; and Northwestwardly by land above described
 as taken from Maria L. Lamb, seven feet: containing two
 hundred and thirteen square feet and 74/100, more or less.
 Also a parcel of land belonging to N. H. Emmons, J. B. Emmons and
 Bates and George H. Bates, Trustees of the Estate of J. B. Bates, Trustees
 bounded as follows, viz: Southwestwardly by the proposed
 line of widening of said Temple Place, there measuring
 forty five feet and 7/10; Southeastwardly by land hereinaf-
 ter described as taken from William H. Gardiner, five feet;
 Northwardly by the present line of said Temple Place,
 forty five feet and 1/10; and Northwestwardly by land above
 described as taken from John G. Cushing and others, five
 feet; containing two hundred and twenty six square feet
 and 25/100, more or less. Also a parcel of land belonging to
 William H. Gardiner, bounded as follows, viz: Southwestward
 by by the proposed line of widening of said Temple Place,
 there measuring thirty six feet and 45/100; Southeastwardly

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Upton

May

Stade

by land hereinafter described as taken from George B. Upton,
five feet; Northeastwardly by the present line of said Tem-
ple Place thirty six feet and $\frac{45}{100}$; and Northwestwardly
by land above described as taken from N. H. Emmons and
others, Trustees, five feet: containing one hundred and eighty
two square feet and $\frac{25}{100}$, more or less. Also a parcel of land
belonging to George B. Upton, bounded as follows, viz: South-
westwardly by the proposed line of widening of said Tem-
ple Place, there measuring twenty five feet; Southeastward-
ly by land hereinafter described as taken from Thomas C.
May, Jr. and others, five feet; Northeastwardly by the present
line of said Temple Place, twenty five feet; and Northwest-
wardly by land above described as taken from William A.
Gardner, five feet: containing one hundred and twenty five
square feet, more or less. Also a parcel of land belonging
to Thomas C. May, Jr. Rebecca A. May, William L. May,
Samuel Meredith, Frances M. wife of Samuel Meredith,
George A. Upton, Francis Upton, Franklin G. Dexter,
Leahy Kane, Elizabeth Kane and the following hus-
bands, viz: James L. May and Thomas C. May, Jr. bounded
as follows, viz: Southwardly by the proposed line of wid-
ening of said Temple Place there measuring twenty six
feet; Southeastwardly by land hereinafter described as
taken from L. L. Stade five feet; Northeastwardly by the
present line of said Temple Place, twenty six feet; and
Northwestwardly by land above described as taken from
George B. Upton, five feet: containing one hundred & thirty
square feet, more or less. Also a parcel of land belonging
to L. L. Stade, bounded as follows, viz: Southwardly by

the proposed line of widening of said Temple Place, there 461
measuring twenty one feet, Southeastwardly by land here 17.14.1844
inafter described as taken from Thomas Thompson, five feet;

Northeastwardly by the present line of said Temple Place,
twenty one feet; and Northwestwardly by land above de-

scribed as taken from Thomas C. Amory, Jr. and others, five
feet: containing one hundred and five square feet more

or less. Also a parcel of land belonging to Thomas Thompson, Thompson

bounded as follows, viz: Southeastwardly by the proposed line
of widening of said Temple Place, there measuring twenty

one feet and $\frac{5}{16}$; Southeastwardly by land hereinafter describ-
ed as taken from Charles Blake and by land as taken

from the heirs of Catherine W. Godman, five feet; Northeastward-
ly by the present line of said Temple Place, twenty one feet and

$\frac{5}{16}$; and Northwestwardly by land above described as taken
from D. L. Glade, five feet: containing one hundred and seven

square feet and $\frac{5}{16}$ more or less. Also a parcel of land belong-
ing to Thomas Lee, bounded as follows, viz: Northeastward-

ly by the proposed line of widening of said Temple Place,
there measuring thirty seven feet and $\frac{7}{16}$; Southeastward

ly by land hereinafter described as taken from the said
Thomas Lee, seven feet; Southeastwardly by the present line

of said Temple Place, thirty seven feet and $\frac{7}{16}$; Northwest-
wardly by land of the United States of America, seven feet:

containing two hundred and sixty one square feet and
 $\frac{8}{16}$ more or less. Also another parcel of land belonging to

the said Thomas Lee, bounded as follows, viz: Northeast-
wardly by the proposed line of widening of said Temple

Place, there measuring twenty five feet and $\frac{15}{16}$; Southeast-

Lee.

Lee.

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G. Putnam, seven feet; Southwardly by the present line
of said Temple Place, twenty five feet and $\frac{7}{100}$; and North-
westwardly by land above described as taken from the said
Thomas Lee, seven feet: containing one hundred and eighty
square feet and $\frac{23}{100}$, more or less. Also a parcel of land be-

Putnam

longing to Charles G. Putnam, bounded as follows, viz: North-
eastwardly by the proposed line of widening of said Temple
Place, there measuring twenty six feet and $\frac{9}{100}$; Southeast-
wardly by land hereinafter described as taken from A. N.
Vinton, seven feet; Southwardly by the present line of
said Temple Place, twenty six feet and $\frac{9}{100}$; and North-
westwardly by land above described as taken from Thom-
as Lee, seven feet: containing one hundred and eighty
two square feet and $\frac{63}{100}$, more or less. Also a parcel of land

Vinton

belonging to A. N. Vinton, bounded as follows, viz: Northeast-
wardly by the proposed line of widening of said Temple
Place, there measuring twenty four feet and $\frac{3}{100}$; Southeast-
wardly by land hereinafter described as taken from Betsey
Gibson and by the present line of said Temple Place, seven
feet; Southwardly by the present line of said Temple
Place, twenty three feet and $\frac{1}{100}$; and Northwestwardly by
land above described as taken from Charles G. Putnam,
seven feet: containing one hundred and sixty seven square
feet and $\frac{7}{100}$, more or less. Also a parcel of land belonging to

Gibson

Betsey Gibson, bounded as follows, viz: Northeastwardly by
the proposed line of widening of said Temple Place, there
measuring twenty nine feet and $\frac{3}{100}$; Southwardly by
land hereinafter described as taken from The Provident In-

stitution for Savings in the Town of Boston, five feet; South- 463
westwardly by the present line of said Temple Place, twenty Sep. 19. 1864
nine feet and $\frac{55}{100}$; and Northwestwardly by land above
described as taken from A. A. Vinton, five feet: containing
one hundred and forty seven square feet and $\frac{7}{10}$, more
or less. Also a parcel of land belonging to The Provident In-
stitution for Savings in the Town of Boston, bounded as fol-
lows, viz: Northeastwardly by the proposed line of widen-
ing of said Temple Place, there measuring fifty five feet
And $\frac{12}{100}$; Southeastwardly by land hereinafter described as
taken from Isaac Whitney, five feet; Southwestwardly by the
present line of said Temple Place, fifty five feet and $\frac{8}{10}$;
and Northwestwardly by land above described as taken
from Betsey Gibson, five feet: containing two hundred and
seventy eight square feet and $\frac{3}{10}$, more or less. Also a parcel
of land belonging to Isaac Whitney, bounded as follows, viz:
Northeastwardly by the proposed line of widening of said
Temple Place, there measuring twenty four feet and $\frac{6}{100}$;
Southeastwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from
Nancy Salisbury, five feet; Southwestwardly by the present
line of said Temple Place, twenty four feet and $\frac{6}{100}$; and
Northwestwardly by land above described as taken from
the Provident Institution for Savings in the Town of Boston,
five feet: containing one hundred and twenty three square
feet and $\frac{35}{100}$, more or less. Also a parcel of land belonging
to Nancy Salisbury, bounded as follows, viz: Northeastward-
ly by the proposed line of widening of said Temple Place,
there measuring twenty four feet; Southeastwardly by
land hereinafter described as taken from Reuben Greene.

Provident
Institution
for
Savings

Whitney

Salisbury

1661. five feet: Southwardly by the present line of said Temple
Sep. 19. 1864. Place, twenty four feet; and Northwardly by land
above described as taken from Israel Whitney, five feet: con-
taining one hundred and twenty square feet, more or less.

Green. Also a parcel of land belonging to Reuben Green, bounded
as follows, viz: Northwardly by the proposed line of wid-
ening of said Temple Place there measuring twenty feet and
 $\frac{3}{10}$; Southwardly by land hereinafter described as taken
from Thomas Thompson five feet; Southwardly by
the present line of said Temple Place, twenty feet and $\frac{5}{10}$;
Northwardly by land above described as taken from
Samuel Salisbury, five feet: containing one hundred and
two square feet and $\frac{5}{10}$, more or less. Also a parcel of land

Thompson belonging to Thomas Thompson, bounded as follows, viz:
Northwardly by the proposed line of widening of said
Temple Place there measuring twenty feet and $\frac{3}{10}$; South-
wardly by land recently taken from the heirs of Cath-
arine W. Codman to extend said Temple Place, five feet; South-
westwardly by the present line of said Temple Place, twenty feet
and $\frac{5}{10}$; and Northwestwardly by land above described as
taken from Reuben Green, five feet: containing one hundred
two square feet, and $\frac{5}{10}$, more or less. Also a parcel of land

Codman belonging to the heirs of Catharine W. Codman, being one
half of a common passageway leading from said Temple
Place to Washington Street, bounded as follows, viz: North-
wardly by land recently taken from the said heirs of
Catharine W. Codman to extend said Temple Place, there
measuring ninety two feet and $\frac{3}{10}$; Southwardly
by Washington Street, six feet and $\frac{10}{100}$; Southwestwardly by

land hereinafter described as taken from Charles Blake, 1165
being the centre line of said common passageway, ninety Sep. 14. 1864
two feet and $\frac{25}{100}$; and Northwestwardly by land above
described as taken from Thomas Thompson and by Temple
Place, five feet and $\frac{8}{100}$: containing five hundred and
fifty seven square feet more or less. And a parcel of land
belonging to Charles Blake, being a portion of said com- Blake
mon passageway leading from said Temple Place to Wash-
ington Street, bounded as follows, viz: Southeastwardly by
land above described as taken from the Heirs of Catherine
W. Godman, being the centre line of said common passage-
way, there measuring ninety two feet and $\frac{25}{100}$; Southeast-
wardly by Washington Street, five feet and $\frac{5}{100}$; Southwardly
by the Southwesterly line of the proposed extension
of said Temple Place, ninety one feet and $\frac{68}{100}$; and North-
wardly by land above described as taken from Thomas
Thompson, three feet and $\frac{4}{100}$: containing four hundred and
thirty seven square feet and $\frac{5}{100}$ more or less. And Whereas, due
notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take
the said parcels of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears
by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered:
That the parcels of land before described be, and the same
hereby are, taken and laid out as a public street or way
of the said City, according to a plan of the same made by
J. Henry Crafts, City Engineer, dated September 5th 1864, and
deposited in the Office of the said Board of Aldermen. And
this Board doth adjudge that the expense of laying out
widening and extending the said Temple Place, as afore-
said, will amount to nothing; which sum, together with

466 the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. October 6. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor October 8. 1864.

North Russell Street. The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to repave North Russell Street between Vine and Eaton Streets was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor September 20. 1864.

North Russell Street. The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Chief of Police to notify the abutters on North Russell Street, between Vine and Eaton Street to furnish new edgestones to support the sidewalks was read a second time and passed.

Collage Street. The orders submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave the gutters in Collage Street between Sumner and Everett Streets, and for abutters to lay their sidewalks with brick, were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor September 20. 1864.

Otis Street. The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave Otis Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Sep. 20. 1864.

Belmont Square. Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave the gutters and re-set the edgestone around Belmont Square, in conformity

with the established grade, and remove all such projections on the lines of said Square as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said Square not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City, and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owners or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Read twice & passed. Approved by the Mayor Sep. 22. 1864. 467. Sep. 19. 1864.

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repair the gutters and sidewalks and reset the edge stones in Revere Street between Grove Street and Charles Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street, as he shall deem necessary and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street, which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous; and which the owners or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost fifteen hundred dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor September 20. 1864. Revere Street.

Ordered: That on and after the first day of October next the fee for measuring wheat, corn and other grains shall be three-fourths of a cent per bushel. Approved by the Mayor September 22. 1864. Grain fee.

The Committee on Paving to whom was referred the petition of the Metropolitan Railroad Metropolitan Railroad.

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Sep. 19. 1864 Railroad Company for increase of fares so as to sell twenty
four tickets for one dollar and that these tickets should be
good in cars run exclusively within the limits of the city,
would respectfully report the accompanying order. For the
Committee, L. H. Standish, Chairman. Ordered: That the
proviso and condition contained in the location granted
to the Metropolitan Railroad Company of March 8. 1859
providing that 25 tickets be sold for a dollar, and the proviso
and condition passed April 24. 1860 that 32 tickets be sold
for one dollar good in all cars run by said Metropolitan
Railroad Company within the limits of the city, be and
the same hereby are rescinded and the following sub-
stituted therefor, viz: And under the further express proviso
and condition that the rates of fare to be charged by the said
Metropolitan Railroad Company shall be until otherwise
ordered by the Board of Aldermen, the following and none
other, to wit: For the passage between Hamden or Lenox
Streets and the northern termini in the city proper of the
said road as now located, or any part of said passage, or
for the passage between the said northern termini of the
said road as now located and said Hamden or Lenox
Streets, or any part thereof, the said Metropolitan Railroad
Company shall sell tickets at the rate of not less than
twenty-four tickets for one dollar, and each of these tickets
shall be good for a passage in any and every car of
the Metropolitan Railroad Company between the said
Hamden or Lenox Streets and the said northern termini
in the city proper, as now located, or any part thereof, or
between the said northern termini as now located and

the said Carriage or Horse Streets or any part thereof; provided, however, if the said fare is not paid by tickets as aforesaid, the said Metropolitan Railroad Company may charge, and the rate of fare shall be, five cents for each passenger. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor
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Ordered: That the Committee on Paving consider and report upon the expediency of allowing no Horse Cars to run in this city on the Sabbath.

A message was received from the School Committee stating that vacancies exist in that body occasioned by the resignations of James A. T. Corbridge of Ward 12, John A. Shepherd of Ward 4, and John Hinchley of Ward 2 and proposing a Convention of the Board of Aldermen and School Committee on Tuesday, October 11th at four o'clock, P.M. for the purpose of filling said vacancies for the remainder of this Municipal Year, public notice thereof to be given according to law. Read and it was thereupon Ordered that a message be sent to the School Committee stating that this Board concurs in said proposition.

Alderman Dana submitted to the Board the following resolve. Resolved: That the Metropolitan Railroad Company be released, hereby, from any obligation, that, by the acceptance of their location in Charles Street, they may incur, to repair, with the best of stone material, that portion of such street as lies between Park Square and the northwesterly line of Mount Vernon Street.

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until after the same shall have been repaired, with such material, by the city of Boston, and been placed, to it in as good a condition as it that part of Charles Street lying between Cambridge and Mount Vernon Street, and in the while they shall keep the portion of Charles Street which lies southeast of the westerly line of Mount Vernon Street, in repair, by repaving it, in such part of said street, with pebbles. Also resolved, that said company, in laying down their tracks in the section of Charles Street now paved with pebbles, may pave the space between their rails with pebbles, to be separated from the iron by small blocks of granite. The outer line of the rails to be paved with granite blocks 14 and 18 by 4 inches. The work to be done to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Streets; and, that the location of said company, in Charles Street, be modified in the manner specified in these resolutions. Read and thereupon Alderman Clapp moved to lay the same on the table, and on this motion the yeas and nays being demanded they are taken as follows: Yeas, Aldermen Clapp, Davis, North, Smith, Strong, Thibault, Howard & Hayes. Nays, Aldermen Linn & Davis. Rollings and Warren 4. So said resolve was laid on the table.

Noan
Faneuil
Hall

According to the report of the Committee on Faneuil Hall the use of said Hall was granted to S. W. Noan and others for November 7th next for a political meeting.

Lowell
Place

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises situated in Lowell Place, caused by an obstructed drain on said premises.

is, belonging to Artemus R. Holden, George Polipp, J. J. La
vey, Charles Grimmons, J. J. Leonard, J. J. Quinn, Sarah Davis
and M. Birney, which is dangerous to the health of the
inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of
Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance
to be abated by constructing a new drain & repairing the
present one, at the expense of said parties, who, having been
duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

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Whereas it appears to this
Board that a nuisance exists on premises situated in Kent
Court, caused by overflowing vaults on said premises, belong-
ing to C. C. Conley, which is dangerous to the health of the
inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent
of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuis-
ance to be abated by entering said vault & cleaning
at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified
by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Nash's
Court.

Whereas it appears to this
Board that a nuisance exists on premises N^o 8 Pearl Place,
caused by an overflowing vault on said premises, belong-
ing to John A. Lingley, which is dangerous to the health of
the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintend-
ent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said
nuisance to be abated by cleaning the said vault at the
expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by
him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Pearl
Place

Sep. 19/1864. And took up the subject of the proposed location of the
 Broadway Railroad through Lever Street, upon Lever Street
 Railroad Bridge and through Berkeley Street to Beacon Street and
 it appeared that due notice had been given of the pendency
 of said petition. E. N. Ledy, Esq. appeared for the Metropolitan
 Railroad Company and remonstrated against said loca-
 tion, whereupon the Board voted to postpone the subject to
 Monday next at five o'clock P.M.

Intelligence
 office

Leave was granted to Alonzo
 M. Hargis No. 1 to keep an Intelligence Office at 20 Court Street.

Turner

Leave was granted to John
 Turner to give a Sparring Exhibition at Sumner Hall
 September 21st

Second hand
 articles

Agreeably to the reports of the
 Committee on Licenses the following persons were licensed as
 dealers in Second Hand Articles James Allen 146 Everett
 Street, Alexander Cook 213 Harrison Avenue, Jeremiah Hus-
 bands corner of Currier and Albany Streets.

Eaton

Leave was granted to Harry
 Eaton to play a billiard match on 22^d of September at Sum-
 mer Street Hall.

Steam Fire
 Engine
 Lever Street
 School House

Ordered: That the Committee on
 Public Buildings be and they hereby are authorized to make
 the alterations and repairs necessary to fit the build-
 ing corner of Lever and West Cedar Streets for an engine
 house, to be occupied by Steam Engine No. 10, at an expense

not exceeding two thousand dollars, the same to be charged 1863
to the appropriation for Public Buildings. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on Monday the twenty sixth day of September Anno Domini, 1864.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Sprague.

Thirty one Traverse jurors were drawn for the Superior Criminal Court. Thirty five for the Supreme Judicial Court. Thirty two for the first session of the Superior Court and thirty one for the second session of the Superior Court. Jurors

Petition of A. J. Wright and one hundred others for use of Faneuil Hall on September 26th and October 19th for political meetings. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall with full power. Wright Faneuil Hall

Petition of Charles H. Blanchard and one hundred others for use of Faneuil Hall on November 5th for a political meeting. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall. Blanchard

Petition of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts for use of Faneuil Hall on October 12th & Grand Lodge

474 14 for a festival dinner on the occasion of the laying of
Sep. 26. 1864 the corner stone of the new Masonic Hall. Referred to the
Committee on Faneuil Hall.

Suffolk
Railroad Petition of the Suffolk Rail
Road Company for statement of tax for 1865. Referred to
the Committee on the Assessors' Department.

Graveling Petition of L.R. Spaulding for
the width and grade of sidewalks at corner of High &
Congress Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Ripley. Petition of A.S. Ripley and others
that a nuisance in Albion Street occasioned by a Steam
Fining Mill owned by S.S. Webster must be abated. Referred
to the Committee on Steam Engines &c.

constables On nomination by the Mayor
Silas Warren, Henry C. Stratton, William M. Laughlin &
Samuel S. Vialle were appointed and confirmed as con-
stables of this City.

Baker Petition of Eliphalet Baker for
use of locutuate Water on Montgomery Street where he has
recently erected a block of houses. Referred to the Commit-
tee on Water. Sent down for concurrence. October 6. Came
up concurred.

Steam
Fire Engine The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board for the Committee on Public Build-
ings to alter the building at the corner of Revere and West
Bedford Streets to fit it as an Engine House for Steam Engine

N^o 10, was read a second time and was referred to the Com- 1475
mittee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence.
October 6, Came up concurred.

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The Committee on the Fire Department respectfully report to the City Council that the appropriation for Engine Houses, \$3,000, is exhausted, and a further sum of \$5000 will be needed to make up the necessary payments for the balance of the financial year. Large drafts have been made upon the original appropriation for removal of stone floors and substitution of wood in several of the Engine and Horse Houses, a change made necessary for the preservation of the health of men employed in these houses. Annexed is a statement of the payments thus far, and a memorandum of the amount probably required to meet the expenditures for the ensuing five months:

Amount already paid	\$3,605
Amount to be paid	<u>2220</u>
	\$ 5825

Estimated amount required for remainder
of the year \$5000

The Committee would therefore respectfully recommend to the City Council the passage of the annexed order. For the Committee, L. J. Denie, Chairman. Ordered: That the appropriation asked for be granted, and that this communication be referred to the Committee on Finance, to provide the means. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. October 6. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Oct. 2. 1864

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 Revere
 Street

Ordered, That the Superin-

tendent of Streets be authorized to repave the gutters and re-set the edgestones in Revere Street between Anderson and Grove Street and make such changes in the grade of said Street, as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street, which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owners or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost five hundred dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Sep. 27. 1864.

Fulton
 Place

Whereas, in the opinion of the

Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Fulton Place should be laid out as a public street, bounded as follows, viz: Northeastwardly by the northeasterly line of Fulton Place, there measuring two hundred and ninety one feet and $\frac{7}{10}$; Southeastwardly by Fulton Street, thirty four feet and $\frac{1}{10}$; Southwestwardly by the southwesterly line of Fulton Place, two hundred and thirty three feet and $\frac{7}{10}$; Northwestwardly by land recently taken from the City of Boston to widen said Fulton Place, thirteen feet and $\frac{4}{100}$; Southwestwardly by the same, fifty two feet and $\frac{7}{10}$; and Northwestwardly by North Street, fifteen feet and $\frac{2}{100}$: containing about eight thousand six hundred and nineteen square feet; the said land being shown on a plan made by A. Henry Craft, City Engineer, dated February 23^d 1864, and deposited in the office of the said City En-

given; it is therefore hereby Ordered, that due notice be given
to Francis G. Shaw, Samuel S. Shaw, Caroline M. Shaw and
Quincy A. Shaw, Residuary Legates under the will of Robert
G. Shaw and Robert G. Shaw, Jr. and all other persons owning
or having rights in said parcel of land, that this Board
intend to lay out said Fulton Place as before mentioned, and
to take the before described parcel of land therefor, and that
Monday the tenth day of October next, at four o'clock P.M., is
assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be
made thereto.

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Ordered: That the Rules and
Regulations in regard to Intelligence Offices be and the
same hereby are amended by striking out of the fourth and
fifth line of the fifth section thereof the words "fifty cents" and
inserting instead thereof the words "one dollar"; also by striking
out of the sixth line of said section the words "twenty five"
and inserting "fifty"; also by striking out of the seventh line
of said section the words "fifty cents," and inserting "one dollar":
said amendment to take effect on the first day of October
next. Read twice and passed

Intelligence
Office

The Committee on Paving to
whom was referred the petition of the Metropolitan Rail
Road Company to be released from the obligation to repair
Charles Street as set forth in their recent location, would re-
spectfully report that they know of no good reason for deviating
from the policy pursued by the Board for several years past in
the locations granted to Horse Railroad Companies of requir-
ing them to keep in repair and repave the whole of the road-
way in the streets in which they are located in the City proper.

Metropolitan
Railroad

Sep. 26. 1864.

It became a well ascertained fact after horse railroad tracks had been constructed in our street that the whole of the roadway between the edgestones had been more or less injured in various ways and required more repairs, by the introduction of the rail track into the road bed, and all resolutions since 1852 contain the provision which the petitioners seek to be withdrawn from, without, in the opinion of your Committee, sufficient cause, and thus accordingly recommend that they have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, L. Miles Standish, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Surface
Drainage

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of drains in the streets of this city south of Dover Street and east of the line of the Water Power Company's land, to carry off the surface water, said subject was recommended to the Committee on that subject.

Second hand
articles.

Leave was granted to Simon De Young to deal in Second Hand Articles at 162 Harrison Avenue and to John Cronin to deal in Second Hand Articles at 151 Harrison Avenue.

Market

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on the Market the transfer by Davis and Mirood of one half of their interest in Stalls Nos 65, 67 and Cellar No 11 in Faneuil Hall Market to Saunders and Hartwell, was approved by the Board.

Coalweigher

Edwin Waite was re-appointed a Weigher of Coal within this City.

Metropolitan
Railroad

Agreeably to assignment the Board took up the subject of the petition of the Metropolitan

Railroad Company for a location through Knickerbocker, Bedford, West and Lincoln Streets as set forth in said petition, and it appearing that due notice had been given of the pendency of said petition. E. H. Ledyard appeared for the Metropolitan Railroad Company; and remonstrances against said location were filed by the following parties, viz: Remonstrance of Joseph T. Brown and others against the location in Bedford Street. John Brock Parker and others against location in West Street. Second Church, also the Rowe Street Baptist Church against location in Bedford Street. The parties not being fully prepared to proceed with the hearing to day, the subject was postponed to Friday next at seven and a half o'clock P.M.

At the request of the Metropolitan Railroad Company the hearing on their petition for a location through Knickerbocker and Eliot Streets, assigned for this day, was also postponed to Friday evening next at seven and a half o'clock.

Agreeable to assignment the Board entered upon the consideration of the following petitions: Broadway Railroad Company for a location in Eighth and connecting streets. Broadway Railroad Company for a location over Dover Street Bridge and through Dover and Berkeley Streets. Metropolitan Railroad Company for a location over Dover Street Bridge and streets connected therewith. P. W. Chandler and George C. Shalluck, Esquires, appeared for the Broadway Railroad Company. E. H. Ledyard for the Metropolitan Railroad Company, and Truman Willey for citizens of Washington Village who desire additional accommoda-

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Streets

cont. Petition signed by Samuel Lead and others in aid of the prayer of the Newbury Railroad Company was filed in the case. The testimony on the points in question had been introduced, the further consideration of the subject was postponed to Friday next at seven and a half o'clock. The

constables

Bonds

The Bonds of the following constables having already been approved by the City Treasurer were also approved by this Board. Francis H. Adams, William Andrew, Samuel Brackett, Samuel Clark, Chase & Co., John S. Dyer, William C. Eastbrook, Luther A. Ham, John C. Harrington, Zachary Holmes, Merrill S. Holway, John Austin, Frederic P. Ingels, John C. Lighter, Thomas J. Lead, William F. Mason, Charles J. Merrill, Harum Merrill, William Munroe, David Patterson, John W. Rose, Charles Smith, Thomas W. Smith, John Southworth, James E. Spear, Guy C. Underwood, John Williams, Isaac Worsey. Said bonds were also this day approved by the Mayor.

Sidewalk

assessments

The Superintendent of Streets having reported to the Board that certain abutters on the Street through named having neglected to lay their side walks are indebted to the City for the expense of laying the same pursuant to resolutions by him submitted. The expense being as follows:—On Milton Street, seventy seven dollars and sixty four cents; Fruit, Hudson, Fifth, Norwich, Tyler, Harvard, Maple, Harrison Avenue, Commercial, Union, Albany and Utica Streets, fifteen hundred and three dollars and ten cents; Brookline, North Centre, Chauncy and Mystic Streets, eighteen hundred and forty three dollars and fifty eight cents;

it was ordered that the foregoing amounts be collected ac- 481.
cording to law

The Board then adjourned to Friday next
at seven and a half o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall
on Friday the thirtieth day of September. Anno Domini 1864.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Spague,
Warren, Stevens, Dana and Clapp.

The Board resumed the con-
sideration of the following petitions for locations by the Broad-
way and Metropolitan Railroad Companies in this City, viz:

Broadway Railroad Compa- ny for a location in eighth Street and connection as set forth in order of notice issued June 27. 1864.	Broadway Railroad
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Broadway Railroad Compa- ny for a location over Lower Street Bridge, through Lower and Seabury Streets to Queen Street, as set forth in an order of notice issued August 29. 1864.	Broadway Railroad
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Metropolitan Railroad Compa- ny for a location over Lower Street Bridge and in Federal Street and Summer Street as set forth in an order of	Metropolitan Railroad
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Metropolitan
Railroad

Metropolitan Railroad Com-
pany for a location in Merimac Street up to Faneuil
Square, also for a track in Kneeland and Eliot Streets as
set forth in an order of notice issued August 8. 1864.

Metropolitan
Railroad

Metropolitan Railroad Com-
pany for a location in Essex Street, Bedford and West
Streets as set forth in an order of notice issued September 5. 1864.

Metropolitan
withdrew

It appearing that there were
many objections to the proposed locations in Bedford, West,
and the portion of Kneeland Street between Washington and
Liberty Streets, E. H. Derby for the petitioner withdrew all
claims to said routes.

Broadway &
Metropolitan
Railroad

The question before the Board
being then confined to the points in dispute between the
Broadway and Metropolitan Railroad Companies, to wit the
South Street location and the Green Street Bridge location -
the Board heard the testimony submitted on both sides and
then continued the further consideration thereof to Monday
next at five o'clock P.M., and the Board then

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board 1483
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall Oct. 3. 1864.
on Monday the third day of October, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petition of Artemas R. Holden

Holden to be paid for damages sustained by his estate on
Milton Street by change of grade of said street. Referred to
the Committee on Paving.

Petition of the Metropolitan

Railroad Company that the time for acceptance of their
recent location in Charles Street may be extended to May 1st
1865. Read and thereupon voted that the petitioners have leave
to withdraw.

A request from the Committee Bennington

on Public Buildings that suitable drainage be furnish-
ed for the new School House on Bennington Street. Refer-
red to the Committee on Sewers

On nomination by the Special

Mayor, J. E. Jenkins and Josiah W. McManathan were appoint-
ed Special Police Officers for Franklin Street and vicinity.
Police

Ordered, That due notice Hanover

be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four
o'clock P.M., take into consideration the expediency of con-
structing the common sewer in Hanover Avenue, between
Hanover and North Streets, and of assessing the expense
thereof on all persons who may enter their particular lots.

484 into such common fund, or who, by any more remote
Oct. 3. 1864 means, shall receive any benefit thereby: no person,
making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

La Grange
Place

No person appearing to object
to the proposed extension of La Grange Place to Summit Street
by taking land of Horace N. Williams and others, said
subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets.

Hours

Fund

Public

Petition of the Trustees of the
Hours Fund for use of Hall Room in Ward 12 for purposes of
an Evening School. Referred to the Committee on Public
Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. Oct. 6. Came up con-
curred.

Brigham

Petition of Peter B. Brigham &
others that a change may be made in the Water Rates of
this City so that two cents per hundred gallons may be
charged for water metre measurement. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Water. Sent down for concurrence. October 6. Came
up concurred.

Jafer

Petition of owners of Schooner Jas-
per for compensation for damages sustained in channel
near City Public Wharf. Referred to the Committee on Claims.
Sent down for concurrence. October 6. Came up concurred.

Temple

Place

Loan

Ordered: That the Treasurer be
and he is hereby authorized to borrow under the direction
of the Committee on Finance a sum not exceeding fifty
thousand Dollars, the same to be appropriated to the use of

and extension of Temple Place. Read twice and passed 1125
ed. Yeas. Naysmen Clapp, Lunt, Davis, Jenie, Marsh, Oct. 2 1864
Hewings, Nash, Percival, Sprague, Standish, Thomas Warren
12. Nays none. Sent down for concurrence. October 6. Came up
concurred Yeas 37. Nays none. Reported by the Mayor Oct. 8
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The Committee on the Fire Department, to whom was referred the petition of Hanson Peterson &c for an additional Steam Fire Engine at East Boston, have considered the same, and respectfully report: That the isolated position of East Boston, and the wide ex- tent of territory which it includes, taken in connection with the inflammable character of most of its buildings, render it necessary that the precautions against fire should be perhaps greater in proportion to the population than in other parts of the city; and there are now located at East Boston two steam fire engines, a hose carriage, and a hook and lad- der carriage, which it would seem would be sufficient for ordinary occasions. But it has happened that several very large fires have occurred in East Boston, when more than the local force was necessary, and such delays have attend- ed the transportation of the Fire Department across the Ferry that the fire obtained full headway and caused great de- struction of property. With the use of the telegraphic fire alarm, and proper ferry facilities, it would seem that no other en- gine is needed in East Boston; but at present the Ferry can- not be relied upon; and unless there is a promise of some speedy reform in that direction which shall insure the prompt transit of engines from the City proper, at all times	East Boston Fire Engine Hanson
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Oct. 3. 1864 of day and night, the property and people of East Boston require fuller protection than they now have. While the Committee are not prepared to recommend the immediate purchase of another steam fire-engine, they think it expedient to make preparation for one, in case it shall be found necessary, by reason of the failure of the Ferry Company to meet the public wants and advance its own best interests by providing the requisite facilities for quick and certain communication in time of necessity. In this connection the Committee will state that the present Hook and Ladder House at East Boston is small and inconvenient; and it is highly desirable that a new and more commodious one should be provided; and they present the accompanying order which contemplates the erection of a building suitable to accommodate the Hook and Ladder Carriage and a Steam Fire Engine. For the Committee, L. A. Denis, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they hereby are authorized and directed to procure and report plans and estimates for a building to be erected in some central location in East Boston, suitable for the accommodation of a Hook and Ladder Carriage and a Steam Fire Engine. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. October 6. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Oct. 8. 1864.

Artillery
Armory

The Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred the order of the City Council dated July 23^d 1864, requesting them in consultation with the Committee on Armories, to report to the Board of Aldermen a suitable lot of land whereon to erect an Armory for a Battery

of Light Artillery, have attended to that duty and would 487
recommend the passage of the following order. For the Com. Oct. 3, 1864
mittee S. W. Keatinge Chairman. Ordered: That the lot of
land situated on Wareham and Plympton Streets, South
Bay, and containing eight thousand five hundred square
feet, as shown upon the accompanying plan drawn by
S. Henry Crafts, City Engineer, and dated October 3^d 1864, be
set aside until otherwise ordered, for the purpose of erecting
thereon an Armory for a Battery of Light Artillery. Read
twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. October 6.
Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor October 8. 1864

The Committee on Sewers Connor
to whom was referred the petition of James Connor to be com-
pensated for damages occasioned to his estate on G. Street, re-
port, that as an abatement from an assessment for the G.
Street Sewer is based upon the fact of a leakage from the
South Boston Reservoir, they therefore recommend a reference
of the petition to the Cochetuate Water Board. For the Commit-
tee, Robert Marsh Chairman. Read, accepted and referred
accordingly. Sent down for concurrence. October 6. Came up
concurred.

The Inspector in Chief of Bal- Ballast
last reported to the City Council that for the last quarter
there were received as fees nine hundred and twelve
dollars and twenty five cents, and that the expenses were
twenty nine dollars and eighty seven cents. Read and
sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file

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Health

reported that for the quarter ending September 30th that the expenses of that Department were forty three thousand, three hundred and six dollars and eighty seven cents. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Bills

Ordered, That the fol-

lowing bills for services rendered or supplies furnished, by persons connected directly or indirectly with the City Government, be paid, provided they are approved, audited and allowed in the usual manner, viz: A. B. & S. H. Loring, four hundred and fifty eight dollars and forty three cents; forty six dollars and six cents. Thirty nine dollars & three cents; forty four dollars and fifty six cents; three dollars & five cents. William Carpenter, two hundred and thirty dollars; one hundred dollars; forty dollars; twenty five dollars; N. W. Hall eight hundred and seventy dollars and fifty four cents; eighty one dollars and seventy eight cents. J. Crosby, nine hundred and fifteen dollars and twelve cents; thirty six dollars and five cents. Eaton, Cummings & Co. eight hundred and fifty seven dollars and ten cents; three hundred and fifty eight dollars. J. C. Bradley, one hundred and fifty dollars. American House, two hundred and fifty dollars. J. Dunbar, twenty two dollars and fifty cents. William H. Clapp, one hundred and thirty seven dollars and fifty cents. C. Silsbee, fifty dollars; thirty dollars. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. October 6. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor October 8, 1864.

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Officers

The Committee on the Jail

to whom was referred the request of the Sheriff of Suffolk

County that the salaries of the Officers of the Jail may be 489
determined by this Board have considered the subject and Oct. 3. 1864
respectfully Report the accompanying order. For the Committee
Geo. W. Sprague, Chairman. Ordered: That the salaries of the
several Officers connected with the Suffolk County Jail be de-
termined as follows. The salary of the Keeper of the Jail shall
be at the rate of One Thousand Dollars per annum. The
salary of the Turnkey shall be at the rate of Five Hundred
dollars per annum. The salary of the Clerk shall be at
the rate of Eight hundred and fifty dollars per annum.
The salary of the first Officer shall be at the rate of seven
hundred and fifty dollars per annum. And the salaries of
the five subordinate officers shall be at such rate per an-
num not exceeding Seven Hundred Dollars each, as the
Committee on the Jail shall from time to time determine. And
sum to be charged to the appropriation for the County of Suf-
folk. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor October
3^d 1864.

Whereas the tombs in the South South
Burial Ground, on Washington Street, which are numbered Burial Ground
85, 87, 89, 91, 93, 95, 97, 99, 101, 103, 105, 107, 109, and 111, have by a
recent casualty been rendered unfit for use, and can not
be properly repaired without the removal therefrom of the
contents thereof; it is therefore Ordered, That the City Registrar
be, and he is hereby directed to remove the contents of the
said several tombs, and deposit the same in other tombs
in the said Burial Ground. Approved by the Mayor Octo-
ber 4. 1864.

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Constables'
bonds

The Bonds of the following con-
stables, viz. Daniel D. Cullinich, Derahel Clapp, Daniel Blau-
ke, Joseph L. Colburn, James Curtis, Abraham W. Carr, Thomas Ter-
ger, Eben. F. Gay, William J. Gibbons, Alexander Hopkins, Pliny
L. Lunt, John S. Suction, William D. Martin, Michael H. Sum-
lin, Isaac F. Nelson, Henry Nichols, Joseph Pierce, Henry C. Strat-
ton, Samuel S. Train, John Wilson, and Thomas P. Wilson, hav-
ing been already approved by the City Treasurer, were also
approved by the Board and said Bonds were also approv-
ed by the Mayor October 3^d 1864

Weights
& Measures

John D. Ludogan, Sealer of
Weights and Measures, reported that for the past quarter,
three hundred and eighty dollars and sixty one cents were
received by him as fees. Read and placed on file.

Weights
& Measures

C. J. B. Moulton, Sealer of Weights
and Measures reported that for the last quarter four
hundred and nine dollars and ninety two cents were
received by him as fees. Read and placed on file.

Metropolitan
Railroad.
Broad Street.

Petition of David Chamberlin
and others that the rails of the Metropolitan Railroad Com-
pany may be removed from Broad Street: read and placed
on file.

The State Inspector of Gas submit-
ted to the Board his report of the condition of the Gas used
in this City in September. Read and placed on file.

Warrant

Leave was granted to Albert

Wright and others to hold a political meeting at Faneuil Hall on October 19th.

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Leave was granted to the
Dorchester Grand Lodge to hold a political dinner in
Faneuil Hall on October 13th & 14th.

Mass.

Grand Lodge

Leave was granted to Charles
H. Blanchard and others to hold a political meeting at Fan-
euil Hall on November 5. 1864.

Blanchard

The Committee appointed to
inquire into the expediency of attaching the Board of Trust-
ees of Mount Hope Cemetery, by leave to submit the follow-
ing report. The order of inquiry was issued on account
of the prevailing opinion then expressed, both by members
of the City Council and citizens at large, that a change
in the management of this property was desirable. It seem-
ed very proper, therefore, and due to the Board themselves,
that the proper inquiries should be made, and, if possible,
any prejudice against the property itself, or against the Board
of Trustees, should be removed. It may be proper here to say
that we are of the opinion that the creation by the City
Council of separate and independent Boards for the man-
agement of property belonging to the City, should be made
with much care, and resorted to only in cases of extreme
necessity. We have endeavored to give this matter all the
investigation that the nature of the case demands, & though
our report may have been delayed somewhat longer than
might have been expected, some of the most important in-
formation bearing upon the case has been recently ob-
tained; and if there has appeared any seeming delay, note

Mount Hope
Cemetery.

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Oct. 3/1864 ing has been lost thereby. If the question before us was to form a Board of Trustees for the management and care of Mount Hope Cemetery, we might treat the subject somewhat differently. But the task upon us is a much more delicate and difficult one, that of attaching a Board already in existence. A recommendation to this end might imply a want of confidence in those to whom this trust has been committed. That would, however, require two things. First, the reasons for such a recommendation, and, second, to recommend some other and better way. In order, therefore, to explain the conclusions to which the Committee have arrived, it becomes necessary to go somewhat into the history of this enterprise, and, in doing so, we desire to state the facts as they appear to us, and at the same time to avoid anything which may tend to increase prejudice or impose new or more arduous duties upon those to whom the trust is committed. We are of the opinion, therefore, that the selection and purchase of this property was at the outset a very unwise transaction on the part of those to whom the interests of the city were committed. That a cemetery was needed may be true, but the selection of this particular place was most unfortunate. Assuming that the oft repeated remarks tending to render the place unpopular are entirely the result of prejudice, we deem it our duty to state some few things which appear to us as advantages and disadvantages of this cemetery. First, its advantages. Its natural condition of hill and dale, of wood, of spring, of rocks, &c. &c., may be all that is desired, and perhaps in them it is not surpassed by other cemeteries. Second, the disadvant-

ages of Mount Hope are very numerous, and cannot be overcome by any amount of labor and fidelity bestowed by any Board of Trustees. We do not attempt to describe the feelings of respect, humanity, love and affection that cluster around the resting places of our loved ones, as compared with any other and all other places of the earth. Hence, the sacredness of the place, and the importance of its proper management. The stranger may spend his leisure hours for curiosity, observation, or information, but the friend often lingers there. Those who travel by private conveyance are few, compared with the multitude who visit the Sacred dust within these inclosures; hence, the importance of having a cemetery easily accessible. Mount Hope is by far too great a distance from the city to receive the patronage of its citizens. This, however, might be more excusable if access was easy and comfortable. But it is difficult, under any circumstances, of access, except by private carriages, a great obstacle that it is not likely to become popular. Again, its present condition in regard to inclosure. The tract of land is long and narrow; the ends bordering upon the roads are well fenced and in fine condition. But by far the largest part of the territory is inclosed by a simple stone wall. The Trustees have done the best and most that they could to inclose the Cemetery with the money appropriated, and much credit is due to them for the general good appearance at the gate of the cemetery. If the whole cemetery is to be enclosed in a similar manner, it would require a large appropriation from the City Treasury, and cannot be done otherwise. A more permanent and attractive fence around

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the remainder of the cemetery seems desirable. We think that the Trustees are aware of this, but from motives of expediency and economy have refrained from applying for an appropriation for this purpose. But it is very probable that such an application at this time would not find favor with the City Council. The unoccupied portion of the cemetery may be properly divided, about equally, into three parts. 1. Solid rock in some places under ground, and sometimes appearing upon the surface. 2. Heavy soil, in its natural state. 3. Light soil, but requiring artificial improvement to prepare it for the purpose for which it is designed. Hence, on an average, we think that the expense to prepare lots for sale is quite as much, if not more, than the price for them when prepared; therefore no profit can accrue to the city from the money expended in their preparation. Again, the laying out of the walks, paths, and borders is another cause of complaint, and we think justly so as compared with other cemeteries. This, however, is no fault of the present trustees. Again, its proximity to Forest Hills, which is much easier of access and on the direct road to Mount Hope, and laid out upon a more liberal scale with the advantage arising from private enterprise over like enterprise under city management, and much larger expenditures for ornamental purposes, in expectation of future remuneration, renders the one the popular resort, while the other is of secondary importance and less attractive. We come back to our inquiry with which we started, will other men, or the same men, be more successful in its management under any other title, or coming to the duties of the office by any different mode of election?

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Some have suggested that it might be more successful if managed by a Committee of the City Government. This inquiry presents itself, whether these obstacles can be better overcome by a committee than by Trustees, whose term of office is five years. It may here be remarked, that the Ordinance at present requires that one from each branch of the City Council shall be chosen annually on this Board, so that the Board consisting of seven members may have three new ones each year. If by any means these obstacles to which we have referred, as some of the existing difficulties at present experienced, are to be overcome and removed, so that Mount Hope may compare more favorably with other cemeteries, it will require a well supplied treasury, which must be the City Treasury, whether it be intrusted to the care of a Board or a Committee. Can a Committee compete more successfully than the Board with a more attractive cemetery in the same neighborhood? Dissatisfaction exists among some of the proprietors, which we think arises from several causes, among which is the fact, as above stated, that 'Mount Hope' has not seemed to prosper, so to speak, like 'Forest Hill', and a want of confidence in the present Superintendent. And we pause here to remark, that very much depends upon the Superintendent. He should be a man capable of attending to the several departments of labor, and at the same time agreeable in manners to proprietors and visitors. When we consider so much is dependent upon the gentlemanly appearance of that officer, being daily in the presence of ladies and families desirous of selecting choice places for the repose of their loved ones, or of adding new beauties to those already selected, too

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Oct. 3 1864 much care cannot be had in the selection of a suitable person for this position. The present Superintendent was chosen only a few months since, and if there should by any means be found in him any want of that happy combination of qualities which gave him to be master of his business and at the same time a perfect gentleman, a quick and discerning public will readily find it out. If at any time there be any cause of complaint whether by proprietors or others, they should report to the Trustees at once. The office of Trustee of Mount Hope Cemetery is one which is not likely to be eagerly sought, and at the same time it is an office which requires the right man in the right place. Therefore, in the election of Trustees, fitness for the office should be the necessary qualification; and it seems to us that if men are elected who possess peculiar fitness for the office, the term of years has much to recommend itself for such a place over the annual appointment of a committee to manage its affairs. We propose to refer to only one more complaint which may perhaps be more general in the community than any other, and that is the report that excessive expenditure is made by the Trustees in what is usually termed "junketing". The Committee have examined into this wholesale and general charge, but they do not find it sustained. We are not convinced that the charge of riotous living at the expense of the City applies to the present Board of Trustees. It may be proper to say, however, that in our opinion some time since an occurrence did take place in connection with this Institution which very naturally gave rise to these reports; and for this unfortunate transaction members

of the then City Council were mainly at fault. Your Com- 1177
mittee, therefore, are convinced that there are serious hindran- Oct. 3. 1864.
ces in the way of the prosperity and popularity of Mount
Hope, some of which they have referred to. But they are not
convinced that they exist by any fault of the present Board
of Trustees, or that they can be removed entirely by the means
at their command. We think it due to the present Board
of Trustees to say that they endeavor to make the most they
can of the means at their disposal. They are not blind to the
obstacles in their way, and endeavor to overcome them as
much as possible, by devising such means as are best adapt-
ed to promote the interests of the Cemetery; and have seemed
to manifest a desire and determination to remove all evils
within their control. We are not convinced that the public
would be promoted by abolishing the Board of Trustees, and
therefore report it inexpedient to legislate. For the Committee,
H. A. Stevens, Chairman. Read, and Monday next was assign-
ed for the consideration of the report.

Licenses to deal in Second Hand articles
Hand Articles were granted to J. Victorson at 244 Harrison
Avenue - Mary M. Norton at 28 Maverick Square

Agreeably to assignment Broadway
the Board resumed the consideration of the several petitions of Metropolitan
of the Broadway and Metropolitan Railroad Companies for Railroads
locations in Eighth Street and over Dover Street bridge and
after the hearing of testimony and the arguments of the
counsel in the case, the Board voted to recommit the sub-
ject to the Committee on Paving.

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Metropolitan
Railroad

It appearing to the Board that the Broadway and Metropolitan Railroad Companies could not agree as to the manner in which the Metropolitan Rail Road Company should extend their location so as to reach the Old Colony and Worcester Stations in this City, it was voted that the subject be argued before this Board on Monday the 17th day of October instant at five o'clock P.M.

Clapps
Surface
Drainage

The Committee on the Back

Bay to whom was referred the petition of William H. Clapps and others for establishment of a system of surface drainage for the southern part of the City, and to whom was recommended the order of notice passed September 12 in relation to the same subject, respectfully Report: That the necessity of some means of drainage for the South End more perfect than the present, is well understood by all who have examined the subject; and the plan of using surface drainage in addition to the present system of sewers is recognized as the only practicable method of meeting the present difficulty with success. This being conceded, the Committee have only to propose to the City Council that the necessary steps be taken at once to carry these conclusions into effect. They therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order, to provide the means, when it will remain for the Board of Aldermen to proceed with the construction of the sewers, assessing a portion of the expenses upon abutters who are benefitted, in the same manner as in the case of other sewers. For the Committee, L. Miles Standish, Chairman. Ordered, That the Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to borrow, under the

Loan

direction of the Committee on Finance, the sum of eighty one 1199
thousand, six hundred and seventy five dollars, the same to Oct. 3. 1864
be appropriated to the construction of sewers for surface drain-
age in the streets south of Dover Street, and east of the line
of the Water Power Company's lands. Read once.

Resolved, That the safety & La Grange
convenience of the inhabitants of the city require that La
Grange Place should be laid out and extended, and for that
purpose it is necessary to take and lay out as a public road
a way of the said city, a parcel of land belonging to Anne
H. Williams, Edward A. Williams, Sarah A. Williams, John C.
Hayden, Susan A. D. Hayden, Henry August and H. A. Sar-
gent, bounded as follows, viz: Northwardly by the northerly
line of La Grange Place, there measuring two hundred and
ninety seven feet and $\frac{2}{3}$ in; Eastwardly by Washington Street,
thirty two feet and $\frac{1}{2}$ in; Southwardly by the southerly line of
said La Grange Place, two hundred and ninety five feet and
 $\frac{3}{4}$ in; and Westwardly by land hereinafter described as taken
from Elizabeth W. Stevens and from the heirs of Daniel Cop-
eland, thirty feet and $\frac{1}{2}$ in; containing nine thousand, three
hundred and fifty square feet, more or less. Also a parcel of
land belonging to the heirs of Daniel Copeland, bounded as
follows, viz: Northwardly by the northerly line of said La
Grange Place, there measuring sixty four feet and $\frac{80}{100}$ in; East-
wardly by land above described as taken from Anne H.
Williams and others, twenty five feet and $\frac{3}{4}$ in; Southwardly
by land hereinafter described as taken from Elizabeth W.
Stevens fifty three feet and $\frac{1}{2}$ in; Westwardly by land herein-

Williams
Hayden
Sargent
Copeland

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Oct. 3. 1864. also described as taken from Eli M. Whitney and Catherine
the wife of said Eli M. Whitney, ten feet and $\frac{5}{8}$; South-
wardly by the same, eleven feet and $\frac{66}{100}$; and Westward-
ly by land hereinafter described as taken from a person
a person unknown, being a portion of Lowell Place twelve
feet: containing thirteen hundred and ninety nine
square feet, more or less. Also a parcel of land belonging
to a person or persons unknown, being a portion of Lowell
Place, bounded as follows, viz: Northwardly by the north-
ern line of the proposed extension of said La Grange Place,
there measuring twenty three feet and $\frac{12}{100}$; Eastwardly by
land above described as taken from the Heirs of Daniel Cop-
land, twelve feet; Southwardly by land hereinafter de-
scribed as taken from Eli M. Whitney and Catherine R.
wife of said Eli M. Whitney, twenty three feet and $\frac{65}{100}$; and
Westwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from
Charles Haynes, eleven feet and $\frac{79}{100}$; containing two hund-
red and seventy eight square feet, more or less. Also a
parcel of land belonging to Elizabeth H. Stevens, bounded
as follows, viz: Southwardly by the Southern line of the
proposed extension of said La Grange Place, there measur-
ing fifty three feet and $\frac{5}{100}$; Westwardly by land hereinafter
described as taken from Eli M. Whitney and Catherine R.
wife of said Eli M. Whitney, seven feet and $\frac{53}{100}$; Northward-
ly by land above described as taken from the Heirs of
Daniel Copland, fifty three feet and $\frac{4}{100}$; and Eastward-
ly by land above described as taken from Anne N. Williams
and others, four feet and $\frac{7}{100}$; containing three hundred and
twenty nine square feet, more or less. Also a parcel of land

belonging to Eli M. Whitney and Catherine R wife of said 501.
Eli M. Whitney, bounded as follows, viz: Southwardly by the Oct. 3 1864
southerly line of the proposed extension of said La Grange Whitney
Place there measuring one hundred and fifteen feet and
7/100; Westwardly by Cement Street, fifteen feet and 7/100; North-
wardly by land hereinafter described as taken from the Heirs
of Edward Shales and from Charles Haynes and by land
above described as taken from a person or persons unknown
and from the Heirs of Daniel Copeland, one hundred and
seventeen feet and 7/100; and Eastwardly by land above de-
scribed as taken from the Heirs of Daniel Copeland and from
Elizabeth W. Stearns, eighteen feet and 7/100 containing two
thousand and thirty nine square feet, more or less. Also a
parcel of land belonging to Charles Haynes, bounded as fol- Haynes
lows, viz: Northwardly by the northern line of the proposed
extension of said La Grange Place, there measuring twenty
nine feet and 100; Eastwardly by land above described as
taken from a person or persons unknown, being a portion of
Lowell Place, seven feet and 7/100; Southwardly by land
above described as taken from Eli M. Whitney & Catherine
R. wife of said Eli M. Whitney, twenty eight feet and 7/100;
and Westwardly by land hereinafter described as taken
from the Heirs of Edward Shales, twelve feet and 18/100 contain-
ing three hundred and forty two square feet, more or less.
Also a parcel of land belonging to the Heirs of Edward Shales, Shales
bounded as follows, viz: Northwardly by the northern line
of the proposed extension of said La Grange Place, there meas-
uring fifty two feet and 7/100; Eastwardly by land above
described as taken from Charles Haynes, twelve feet and 18/100;

502. Southwardly by land above described as taken from Eli
Oct. 2 1864 H. Whitney and Catherine P. wife of said Eli H. Whitney,
fifty two feet and 9⁵/₁₆; and Westwardly by Tremont Street,
fourteen feet and 2²/₁₆; containing Seven Hundred square
feet, more or less. And whereas, due notice has been given
of the intention of this Board to take the said parcels of
land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return
herunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcels
of land before described be, and the same hereby are, tak-
en and laid out as a public street or way of the said City-
according to a plan of the same, made by N. Henry Crafts,
city engineer, dated July 16th 1864 and deposited in the office
of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth ad-
judge that the expense of laying out and extending the said
La Grange Place, as aforesaid, will amount to fifteen thou-
sand dollars; which sum, together with the amount esti-
mates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said
street, during the present municipal year, does exceed the sum
of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Godman

Ordered, That there be paid
to William I. Dexter, Charles Amory and Robert Godman, Trus-
tees for the Heirs of Catherine W. Godman and to Arthur God-
man, the sum of Ninety Thousand dollars, upon their giv-
ing to the City a deed, Satisfactory to the City Solicitor, of Thirty
six hundred and fifty eight square feet of land taken to ex-
tend Temple Place to Washington Street by a resolve of the
Board of Aldermen, passed August 1864 and also upon their
releasing to the City all their right, title and interest in the
site of said Temple Place and in the passageway leading from

said Temple Place & Washington Street, and an acquittance 503.
and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in conse-
quence of said taking, and that the same be charged to
the appropriation for laying out and widening Temple Place.
Read once

Adjourned to Tuesday next, tomorrow, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall
on Tuesday the fourth day of October, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present,

The Chairman and Aldermen Clapp, Messinger, Warren, Da-
vis, Marsh and Sprague.

Twelve Jurors were drawn for the first session of Superior Court. Jurors.

Agreeably to assignment
the Board assembled in
convention

with the School Com-
mittee for the purpose of filling certain vacancies in that
body occasioned by the resignations of Henry Hinckley of
Ward 2, John A. Stephenson of Ward 9, and James P. T. Coolidge
of Ward 12 and the ballots having been taken and counted
it appeared that the results were as follows - Ward No 2, Whole
number of ballots 48. Necessary for choice 25. Henry Hildbury
had 45 and was chosen. Ward No 9. Whole number of ballots

School
Committee
vacancies

504 45 Necessary for a choice 23. Ezra S. Gannett had 38, J. M. Manning 5, James Dennie 1, John P. Putnam 1. So Mr. Gannett was chosen. Ward XI 12. Same number of ballots 30. Necessary for choice 26. Isaac C. Knowlton had 19, F. H. Underwood 29, J. P. Knowlton 1, E. H. Alden 1. So Mr. Underwood was chosen. Said vacancies having been filled for the remainder of this Municipal Year.

The business of the convention having been accomplished the two Boards separated.

Metropolitan
Railroad Company filed with the City Clerk this day a notice of their acceptance of the location granted to them Sept. 14, 1864. Read and placed on file.

Ward Room
Ward XI On motion of Alderman Clapp.
Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings procure & fit up a larger and more suitable Ward Room than the present for use in the ensuing elections of 1864-5 in Ward XI. Sent down for concurrence. Ext. & came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor October 8, 1864.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on Thursday the 21st day of October, 1864.
Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Warren, Standish, Dana, Stevens and Davies.

Twelve traverse jurors were drawn 505.
for the second session of the Superior Court. Jurors

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics'
Hall on Monday the tenth day of October, Anno Domini 1864.

Present,
The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Four Grand and Five Jurors
Petit jurors drawn for the United States Circuit Court.

Petition of Albert Wright Wright
and others for the use of Faneuil Hall on October 22^d for
a political meeting. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil
Hall.

Petition of Solomon B. Stebbins Stebbins
Stebbins and others for use of Faneuil Hall on November
2, 1864, for a political meeting. Referred to the Committee on
Faneuil Hall.

Petition of Albert Bettelley Bettelley
and others that the Old Colony and Newport Railroad Old Colony
Company may be compelled to erect gates on their tracks & Newport
across Dorchester Avenue. Referred to the Committee on the Railroad
Company.

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Hogg

Petition of Hogg, Brown and

Taylor that the Bedford Street Lure may be extended to Temple Place. Referred to the Committee on Lures.

Bradlee

Petition of Nathaniel J. Brad-

lee and others that Brookline Street may be lighted with Gas. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Hose
Carriage
drivers.

Petition of Drivers of Hose Carria-

ges for an increase of salary. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor

Robert Rice, William S. Kendall, Cyrus H. Shores, Maurice J. Pote were appointed and confirmed as Police Officers of this City with all the powers of constables except the power of serving and executing civil process.

Constable

On nomination by the

Mayor, Edwin Rice was appointed and confirmed as a Constable of this City.

Fire

The Board of Engineers of

the Fire Department having recommended that James Cummings, Driver of Steam Fire Engine No. 1, be discharged from the Fire Department, said subject was referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Gulston

No person appearing to ob-

Place

ject to the proposed extension of Gulston Place by taking land of heirs of Robert G. Shaw, said subject was recommitted to Committee on Streets.

No person appearing to object 509.
to the proposed construction of a sewer in Hamden Avenue. (Oct. 10. 1864.
Said subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers Hamden Ave.

Whereas Solomon R. Spaulding Spaulding
has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect build- Congress
ings in Congress and High Street in the said city; and, Street.
in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of High Street
the inhabitants require that the said street should be wid-
ened at the place described in the said notice, it is there-
fore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Spaul-
ding that this Board intend to widen the street before men-
tioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built
upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public
street, and that Monday the Seventeenth day of October inst.
at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any
objections which may be made thereto.

The Committee on Pub- City
lic Buildings respectfully represent that the appropriation Stables
for the City Stables is exhausted. To complete the work au-
thorized by the City Council, there was an unexpended bal-
ance of last year's appropriation of thirty five thousand,
eight hundred and thirty four dollars and eighty nine cents.
The bills for that work amounted to thirty six thousand, two
hundred and seventy eight dollars and one cent, thus ex-
ceeding the appropriation four hundred and forty three
dollars and twelve cents, which amount has been advanced
by the Auditor. To meet this deficit, and also to enable
the Committee to erect additional sheds which are found

508. necessary, they ask for an additional appropriation of Oct. 10, 1864 ten thousand five hundred dollars. For the Committee, Daniel Davies, Chairman. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Finance. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Ewan

Ordered, That the papers in relation to the claim of Robert Ewan be taken from the files of last year and referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. October 13, came up concurred.

Streets.

The Superintendent of Streets submitted to the Board his quarterly report for October, 1864. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Surface
Drainage

Loan

The report and order submitted to the Board on the third instant authorizing a loan of eighty one thousand six hundred and seventy five dollars as an appropriation for the construction of sewers for surface drainage, were read a second time and passed. Yeas Aldermen Clapp, Dana, Davies, Denio, Marsh, Messinger, Van Nieuwe, Spague, Standish, Stevens, Warren, Robinson. Sent down for concurrence.

La Grange
Place

The resolve and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to extend La Grange Place to Fremont Street by taking land of Horace H. Williams, Edward A. Williams, Sarah A. E. Williams, John C. Hayden, Susan A. B. Hayden, Henry S. Sargent, and M. S. Sargent, were read a second time and passed. Sent down.

for concurrence. October 13 same of concurred. Approved by the
Mayor October 14, 1864.

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Ordered: That public notice
be given to the legal voters of this city that the Voting Lists
for the several Wards of this city are completed and that
copies of the same may be examined at the City Hall, Bedford
Street, at the Assessors Office, 23 Chancery Street and a copy
at or near the place of voting in each Ward. All legal voters
are requested to see that their names are properly registered
therein: and the following persons are particularly called
upon to see if their names are correctly inserted, viz: Persons,
who have paid a tax assessed upon them in 1863 or 1864 within
this State and who have been residents of Boston since the
eighth of May last; Persons listed without their given names;
Persons who have not received a tax bill for 1864. Persons who
have reached their majority since the first of May last; Per-
sons who have been in the Military or Naval Service of the
United States and who have returned to Boston since the first
of May last; and Naturalized Citizens. Those persons who have
not paid a tax assessed upon them within two years have no
right to vote. The Board of Aldermen will attend at City
Hall, Bedford Street every day until the seventh day of Nov-
ember, next inclusive, for the purpose of inserting the names of
all legal voters, which through accident or mistake may
have been omitted. All persons who wish to have their names
corrected or inserted must bring their tax bills with them.

Voters
notice to

Ordered: That the Treasurer
be directed to indicate upon the Voting Lists the names of all
Tax-payers delinquent

persons found therein who have not paid a tax assessed up
Oct. 10. 1864 on them within two years according to law. Approved by the
Mayor October 11. 1864.

Constables
bonds

The Bonds of the following Con-
stables having been already approved by the City Treasurer
were also approved by the Board, viz: John C. Robinson, Ed-
ward G. Richardson, William Hastings, Henry Taylor. Said bonds
were also approved by the Mayor October 10. 1864.

Godman

Temple Place

The order submitted at the meet-
ing of the Board on the third instant to pay ninety thous-
and dollars to the heirs of Catherine W. Godman for land
taken to widen Temple Place, was read a second time and
passed. Approved by the Mayor October 11. 1864.

Hogg, Brown
& Taylor

Ordered: That there be paid
to Nathaniel J. Pradlee, agent for Hogg, Brown & Taylor, letters
of estate of heirs of Catherine W. Godman, the sum of Three
thousand seven hundred and seventy dollars, in full for
any and all damages sustained by them as lessees of
the estate of Cath. W. Godman, a portion of which was taken by
the City to widen and extend Temple Place upon said lessees
giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all dam-
ages sustained and expended in consequence of said taking, and
that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying
out and widening streets. Read twice and passed. Approved
by the Mayor October 11th 1864.

Nelson

First Ward

On petition of A. Nelson J. J. and
others Entered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authoriz-

ed to grade First Street between N. and I. Streets. Read twice
and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 12. 1864

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Whereas, it appears to this Board
that a necessity exists for the construction of a sewer, in Myrtle
Street between 1st and 2nd Street and that public
notice of such intention has been given, it is hereby Ordered,
That the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby di-
rected to construct a Common Sewer in said Myrtle Street,
and to report a schedule of the expense thereof to this Board,
pursuant to law. Read twice and passed. Approved by the
Mayor October 12. 1864

Myrtle
Street
sewer

Ordered, That there be paid
to Samuel Hatch the sum of four hundred and twenty dol-
lars, for land taken to widen East Street, in 1864, upon his
giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquit-
tance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in
consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged
to the appropriation for laying out and widening streets. Read
twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 12 1864.

Hatch
East
Street.

Resolved, That the safety &
convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that Mil-
ton Road should be laid out, and for that purpose it is neces-
sary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the
said City, a parcel of land belonging to Francis G. Howe,
Samuel G. Howe, Gardiner B. Howe, and Quincy A. Howe,
(Residuary Legatees under the wills of Robert G. Howe and
Robert G. Howe Jr. bounded as follows, viz: Northeastwardly;

Fulton
Howe
laid out
Howe

512. by the northeasterly line of Fulton Place, there measuring
Oct. 10. 1864. two hundred and ninety one feet and $\frac{7}{10}$; Southeastward
by Fulton Street thirty four feet and $\frac{7}{10}$; Southwestward
by the Southwest line of Fulton Place two hundred
and thirty three feet and $\frac{7}{10}$; Northward by land re-
cently taken from the City of Boston to widen said Fulton Pl.
thirteen feet and $\frac{4}{10}$; Southeastward by the same fifty two
feet and $\frac{7}{10}$ and Northward by North Street sixteen
feet and $\frac{7}{10}$; containing about eight thousand six hundred
and nineteen square feet. And Whereas, due notice has been
given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel
of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return here-
unto annexed. It is therefore Ordered, that the parcel of land
before described be, and the same hereby is taken and laid
out as a public street or way of the said City, according to a
plan of the same made by A. Henry Knight, City Engineer, dated
February 23^d 1864, and deposited in the office of the said Board
of Aldermen, and that said Board doth adjudge that the expense of
laying out the said Fulton Place, as aforesaid, will amount
to nothing; which sum together with the amount of estimates
of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during
the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five
thousand dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved by the
Mayor, October 11. 1864.

Water Street
lease

Ordered, That the Committee on
laying out and widening streets be and they are empowered
to lease the parcel of land owned by the City on the corner of
Water and Washington Streets to Emory S. Ware of Roxbury and
George E. Felt of Boston, doing business in Boston under the firm

of Moore & Tuley for the term of three years from May 1st 1865 upon the condition that said Moore and Tuley will covenant and agree to pay therefor at the rate of One Thousand dollars per annum payable quarterly, and also all taxes and water rates which may be assessed thereon during said term also that the buildings now standing, or which shall be standing on said lot at the expiration of said lease shall become the property of the city also that said Moore and Tuley will agree to relinquish and vacate said leased premises upon receiving three months notice of the desire of the City of Boston to sell said estate. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 11. 1864

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The Superintendent of Streets having reported to the Board a schedule of persons who have neglected to lay sidewalks on Harrison Avenue and Park Street it was ordered that the assessments levied on said persons be collected pursuant to law.

Sidewalk
assessments

The Tuant Officers for the Northern, Central and Southern Districts submitted to the Board their several reports for the quarter ending Sept. 30. 1864. Read and placed on file.

Tuant
Officers

The Committee on Paving to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Public Buildings of last year on extension of room for Sewer Department, would respectfully report that no action is required on the subject. For the Committee, L. Will Standish, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Sewer
Yard

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be hereby directed to notify George W. Cook and the heirs

Cook &
Bannon

514 of the late Martin Binner, to remove all buildings and other
Oct. 10. 1864 obstructions which are upon the lot of land recently set apart
to the City for the erection of an Armory between Murcham &
Thympton Street South Bay, and upon the adjoining passage-
way, within ten days from the date of this order; and if not
removed at the expiration of said time the Chief of Police is fur-
ther directed to cause said buildings and obstacles to be re-
moved.

Intelligence
Office Leave was granted to Belinda
Harris to keep an Intelligence Office at 217 Cambridge Street.

Norwood Leave was granted to Norwood
H^c to give Magical Entertainments at Williams Hall during
the last of this week and the first of next week.

Second Hand
articles Leave was granted to Patrick
McMullen to deal in Second Hand Articles at 108 Federal
Street.

Queen On petition of Jacob Bacon that
the surface water issuing from Harrison Avenue may be di-
verted from his estate, the Committee on Paving reported that
no action is required thereon. Read and accepted.

Spaulding On petition of J. C. Spaulding for
the width and grade of sidewalk at corner of High & Congress
Streets, the Committee on Paving reported that no action is re-
quired by this Board as the Superintendent of Streets can fur-
nish the requisite information. Read and accepted.

On petition of Lyman Furwell 515
to be paid for damages sustained by a change of grade on Brook- Oct. 10. 1864
line Street, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Furwell
Read and accepted.

The Committee on Paving to Sabbath
whom was referred the order of inquiry as to the expediency of
discontinuing the running of Horse Cars on Sundays, reported
that it is inexpedient to take any action on the subject. Read
and accepted. Cars

Agreeably to assignment the Mount Hope
Board took up the subject of the proposed abolition of the Board Cemetery
of Trustees of Mount Hope Cemetery, and the question being on
the acceptance of the report of the Committee declaring it inex-
pedient to legislate on the subject, see City Document No. 5, the
subject was laid on the table.

Ordered, That the Superinten- Margaret
dent of Streets be authorized to repair Margaret Street and
make such changes in the grade of said Street, as he shall deem
necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said
Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings
into said street, which are not secured in accordance with
the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so much out
of repair as to be liable to become dangerous and which the own-
er or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that
effect. Estimated cost five hundred dollars. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on Wednesday the twelfth day of October, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Denio.

Jurors

Six traverse Jurors drawn for the Superior (Criminal) Court.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, PM

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on Monday the seventeenth day of October, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Denio.

Allen

Petition of Teresa Ann Allen that certain damages to her estate on Dorchester Street occasioned by the widening thereof may be adjusted. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Jewell

Petition of Harvey Jewell and others that Beacon Street between Clarendon and Dedham Streets may be accepted. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Franklin
Fund.

Aldermen Warren and Lane were appointed a Committee to examine the accounts of

William Minot, Esquire, Treasurer of the Franklin Fund. 517.

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No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Congress and High Streets by taking land of Solomon & Spaulding, said subject was referred to the Committee on Streets.

Congress
Street.

Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday, next at four o'clock P. M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in Washington Street between Bulford Street and Temple Place, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby. Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Washington
Street

The Paymaster of the Soldiers Relief Committee reported that during the last quarter the amount disbursed was \$727.10 Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Soldiers
Relief

The Overseers of the Poor reported to the Board that their expenditures for the last quarter were six thousand and twenty one dollars and forty seven cents Read and sent down.

Overseers
of the
Poor

Ordered, That Messrs Fitch, Wadsworth and Richardson of Ward 11, with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a committee to consider and report what measures, if any, are expedient and

City
Charter

518 necessary to secure amendments to the City Charter in
Oct. 17, 1864 respect to the term of service of members of members of
the City Council. Passed in Common Council. Came up for
concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Norcross
and Hestinger were joined. Approved by the Mayor October
17, 1864.

Old
State House

Ordered: That the Committee on
Public Buildings be and they are hereby authorized to paint
and repair the outside of the Old State House at a cost not
exceeding two thousand dollars, the same to be charged
to the appropriation for Public Buildings. Passed in Common
Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Ap-
proved by the Mayor Oct. 17, 1864.

Mittins

Petition of J. B. Hebbins and
others for use of Faneuil Hall on the 26th instant, and on
November 2^d for political purposes. Referred to the Com mit-
tee on Faneuil Hall.

Baker.
Water
Ordinance.

The Committee on Water, to
whom was referred the petition of Elizabeth Baker for the
use of Cockituate Water in her houses on Montgomery Street,
have considered the same and respectfully Report: That
since the passage of the Ordinance prohibiting the use of
the Cockituate Water in houses where the grade of the
street is below eighteen, and that of the cellars and yards
below twelve, it has been ascertained that a large number
of houses erected and in course of erection at that time,
which would be deprived of water. Most of them had grades
of ten for their cellars and yards, and it seemed a
great hardship to deny them the water. It is thought expedient

therefore to declare the Ordinance of no effect in cases 319.
where the yards and cellars are up to ten, and where the Oct. 17, 1864.
houses were begun before August 1; and the Committee rec-
ommend the passage of the accompanying Ordinance to
accomplish that object. For the Committee, L. Miles Stand-
ish, Chairman. Read, accepted and said Ordinance hav-
ing been read twice was passed. Sent down for concurrence.

The Cochituate Water Board Cochituate
submitted the following: To the Honorable the City Coun- water
cil: The Cochituate Water Board, in their annual re-
port, submitted in January last, called the attention of the New
City Council to the necessity of providing a new Reser- Reservoir
voir, of large capacity, at some eligible locality on the line
of the Aqueduct, between Lake Cochituate and the City.
As no action has been taken in the matter, they are con-
strained again to present to you the facts as to the present
condition of the water supply of the City, and of the means
of bringing it to our citizens, from which, it seems to them,
it is impossible to draw any conclusion save that a
new Reservoir is demanded. The conduit which conveys
the water from Lake Cochituate to the Brookline Reservoir,
although most substantially constructed, is constantly liable
to fall out of repair. As soon as any defects are observed,
they are remedied, and we have been able to accomplish
the repair of ordinary leaks in a few hours; but there have
been occasions when more time was required, and when the
greatest haste was necessary to get the conduit in order before

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the Reservoir supply should be exhausted. Indeed, during the last year, when the crack in the Aqueduct at Ware's Valley was repaired, the water being shut off at the Lake for thirty seven hours only, and the City being then dependent solely on the Brookline Reservoir, the complaints from persons living in the high parts of the City were so general and numerous that the Board found it necessary to order the water let on much sooner than was desirable. The conduit was built with the idea that the consumption of water would never be so great as to render the water passage practically a covered canal running at about half its capacity; and even were this the case, the ordinary wear and tear would involve occasional and important repairs. But it is, and must continue to be, used as a pipe, running full, and with a considerable head of water. Of course the strain and decay must be great, and the liability to serious breaks increases with every day; and it is of the greatest consequence that every preparation should be made for such possible occurrence, so that the damage can be promptly and thoroughly repaired, without involving inconvenience, pecuniary loss, and even personal suffering to the people of Boston. The capacity of the Brookline Reservoir is not quite 12,000,000 gallons at its maximum water level. Therefore supposing the Aqueduct to fail at a moment when the Reservoir was full, the daily consumption of the City being no greater than at present, there would appear to be a sufficient supply for seven days. But it proved in the case of the break at Ware's Valley that after the lapse of only one day and a half, the residents on high ground were without water; and it is certain that if any

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accident should occur preventing the use of the conduit for
a week or longer, a large part of our citizens would be with-
out water for any purpose. It is easy to foresee the consequen-
ces of such an event, great domestic embarrassment, the
suspension of labor in manufacturing establishments,
and, in the case of fire, a destruction of property which
might otherwise have been prevented. A new Reservoir
would not only avert such disasters, but would doubt-
less save the City large sums of money in the way of re-
pairs, by enabling the Water Board to do what it now can
not, viz: shut off the water for a sufficient length of time
to strengthen the conduit in any weak spots which may
be known to exist or which may be brought developed by
the great strain upon its capacity. A new Reservoir is also
desirable, to provide an additional supply of water in time
of scarcity. The City Council having recently visited the
Lake, it is within their knowledge, as well as that of the
Water Board that the supply has been during the present
season very low, and notwithstanding the reduced consump-
tion, the Lake was never so low at this season of the year
as it is now. There are no additional sources of supply that
can be made available in connection with Lake Cochit-
uate, except at a very great expense; and the easiest and
cheapest way of providing for the emergency of drought is to
save a part of the water which is always wasted from
the Lake in the winter and spring, in a reservoir of suf-
ficient capacity to afford a full supply to the City for a con-
siderable length of time. Thus if, as the Board propose and
request, a new Reservoir of one hundred acres extent be

522. constructed, enough water can be saved in the wet season
Oct. 17. 1864 to fill it and secure to the City an ample quantity for all
its wants in any emergency, of accident or drought. The Board
are sensible of the fact that the public Treasury is already
burdened with heavy expenditures, and that the duty of
recommending so large an outlay as will be required
for this object, is at best an ungainly one; and they
would hesitate to bring this matter to your notice had they
not felt that what they urge is absolutely nec-
essary to secure to the City a certain and full supply of
pure water at all times. They believe that delay will be
dangerous. The constant increase in our population, and
the still larger proportionate calls for water, render the inse-
curity of our present facilities, and the insufficiency of our
supply, greater day by day; and while the cost of a new
Reservoir may be large, we believe it to be imperatively
demanded. With these views we ask your early and care-
ful consideration of the subject. Respectfully Submitted, to
the Cochituate Water Board. Ebenezer Johnson, President. Read,
and adopted. Alderman Standish submitted the following
order ordered: That His Honor the Mayor be and he hereby
is authorized to petition the Legislature, in behalf of the City
of Boston, for an Act giving the City of Boston authority to
take and hold lands necessary for the location and construc-
tion of a new Reservoir on the line of the Aqueduct between
Lake Cochituate and the Brookline Reservoir; and also for
authority to borrow money to be expended in the construction
of such Reservoir. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concur-
rence. Oct. 20 came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Oct. 22. 1864

to whom were referred the papers of last year relating to a claim for a bounty alleged to be due to Robert Swan, have considered the same, and respectfully Report. That in their opinion there is no valid claim in this case, and they therefore recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee Otis Norcross, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. October 20. Came up concurred. Oct. 17, 1864 Swan

The Committee on Police, to whom was referred so much of the Mayor's Report as related to the Police, have considered the same, and particularly that part of it relating to the unsuitableness of the Station at present occupied by the Police of Station 4, and they respectfully Report. That they fully concur with the views expressed by His Honor the Mayor, and are convinced that a new Station House should be provided at once. It has come to the knowledge of the Committee that a lot of land of sufficient size, and in a central locality, can be obtained at a reasonable price, and they recommend its purchase. The lot contains more land than will be required for the purposes of a Station House, but the owner desires to sell the whole estate in one parcel; and the Committee have no doubt that if it is purchased by the City, whatever is not needed for the Station House can be disposed of advantageously. They recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, Otis Norcross, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they are authorized to purchase, for a site for a Police Station House, the lot of Police Station

524. land between Eliot Street and Sea Grange Place, containing
Oct. 17. 1864. about eight thousand square feet, and belonging to Eliza-
beth Turner, at a cost not exceeding twenty-eight thousand
Loan dollars. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he hereby is
authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on
Finance, the sum of twenty-eight thousand dollars, the same
to be appropriated to the purchase of a site for a Station-House,
on Eliot Street. Read twice and passed. Yeas Aldermen Dana,
Davis, Marsh, Messinger, Nash, Norcross, Sprague, Standish,
Stevens, and Warren 10. Nays none. Sent down for concurrence.
October 20. Came up concurred. Yeas 30. Nays none. Approved by
the Mayor October 22. 1864.

Steam
Fire Engine
house
The Committee on Public
Buildings to whom were referred an order of the Board of
Aldermen proposing to locate a Steam Fire Engine in the
building belonging to the City at the corner of Revere and
West Cedar Streets; also a remonstrance of E. Stone Goodwin and
others against such use of said building, have fully consider-
ed the subject and are unanimously of opinion that it is
inexpedient to use said building as a House for a Steam
Fire Engine. For the Committee, Daniel Davis, Chairman. Read
and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. October 20. Came up
concurred

Hanvey
Revere Street
school house
The Committee on Public
Buildings to whom was referred the petition of Peter Hanvey
and others for use of the Old Primary School Building on
corner of Revere and West Cedar Streets for purposes of a
Club room, report, that said building is of no use to the City
and should be sold, but that until such sale is consummated

inated it may as well be leased to the petitioners or others 525
for the purposes indicated. They therefore recommend the passage of the following order. For the committee, Sania Davis,
Chairman. Ordered: That the committee on Public Buildings
with the concurrence of His Honor the Mayor be authorized
to let to any proper parties, upon such terms as may seem
advisable, for the remainder of the present Municipal Year,
or until the building shall be sold, the old Primary School
House at the corner of Revere and West Cedar Streets. Read
twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. October 20th
came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor October 22, 1864

The committee on claims, to Fitzpatrick
whom was referred the petition of John Fitzpatrick to be com-
pensated for personal injuries sustained by him for a fall
through an open scuttle in Buckstone Shed, have considered
the same and respectfully Report. That in their opinion
the City is not responsible for the alleged defect in the side-
walk, and they therefore recommend that the petitioner have
leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Otis Norcross, Chairman.
Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. October 20.
Came up concurred.

The committee on claims, to Briggs
whom was referred the petition of Lewis Briggs, Engineer
of Steam Fire Engine N^o 4, to be refunded money paid
for a substitute under the Fire Ordinance have considered
the same, and respectfully report: That the request of the
petitioner has no foundation either in precedent or propriety,
and they recommend that he have leave to withdraw.

526 For the Committee, Otis Norcross, Chairman. Read and accepted. Oct. 17. 1864. Sent down for concurrence. Oct 20, Came up concurred.

Flowers
Fund

The Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the petition of the Trustees of the Flowers Fund for the use of the third room of Ward No 12 for purposes of an Adult Evening School report that the prayer of the petitioners should be granted the room to be used subject to the direction of the Superintendent of Public Buildings. For the Committee, Daniel Davis, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence Oct. 20. Came up concurred.

Streets
racing in.

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances be instructed to inquire as to the expediency & feasibility of amending the Ordinance on Street racing to impose greater penalties upon those convicted of the practice of fast driving, thereby endangering the lives and limbs of the citizens upon Beacon and other streets. Sent down for concurrence. October 20. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor October 22^d 1864.

Rogers

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of James C. Rogers, to be paid for recruiting Services in 1862, have considered the same, and being unable to learn that the petitioner has any good ground for a claim upon the City, they recommend that he have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Otis Norcross, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. October 20. Came up concurred.

when was referred the petition of certain members of the First (Oct. 17, 1864) Massachusetts Regiment to be paid the bounty of one hundred dollars offered by the United States in 1862, to recruits, have considered the same, and respectfully Report: That the petitioners seek to be paid the amount asked for on the ground that the City is in some sense responsible for it because of having enumerated in its advertisement this bounty among others which they have not received. The Committee observe, however, that it was distinctly advertised as a bounty from the United States, a portion of which they were to receive upon being mustered in, and the remainder upon the expiration of their term of service. They received from the City at the time all that was promised in behalf of the City; and they also received from the United States twenty five dollars of their promised bounty. But upon being mustered out, the United States not only declined to pay the remaining seventy-five dollars, but deducted from the pay of the men the twenty five dollars paid at the time of enlistment. The Committee are not fully informed of the reasons which governed the United States Officers in their action, but they understand the bounty was refused because the men had not served a full term of two years. Whatever may be the cause, it is a matter for which the United States alone is responsible. If the faith of the government has been violated, the Committee can only regret that so many worthy men have been wronged, for it is out of the power of the City to interfere. They believe, however, that if proper representations were made to the War Department, its decision would be reversed, and these men would

528. receive what seems justly to belong to them. The Committee
Oct. 17. 1864. recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For
the Committee, Ois Norcross, Chairman. Read and accepted.
Sent down for concurrence. October 20. Came up concurred.

Constables
bonds

The Bonds of the following Con-
stables having been already approved by the City Treasurer
were also approved by the Board, viz: William W. Blake, George
M. Felch, Edwin Rice, John C. Warren, Silas Warren, William
Whitwell. Said Bonds were also approved by the Mayor.

Benevolent
Fraternity
of
Churches

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Ordered, That there be paid to
Charles E. Savage, Treasurer of the Benevolent Fraternity of
Churches, the sum of one hundred and twenty eight dol-
lars and twenty-five cents, for land taken to widen Dorches-
ter Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and
an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and
expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same
be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for lay-
ing out and widening streets. Read twice and passed. Ap-
proved by the Mayor Oct. 17. 1864.

Power

Ordered, That there be paid to
James Power the sum of Seven hundred and ninety seven
dollars and seventy five cents, for land taken to widen Dor-
chester Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the
same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damag-
es, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and
that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidat-
ed claims for laying out and widening streets. Read twice

and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 17. 1864.

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Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repair the gutters, relay the sidewalks and reset the edgestones in Allen Street between Chambers and Blossom Streets, and make such changes in the grade of said Street, as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street, which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owners or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost, eighteen hundred dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 17. 1864.

Allen

Street.

The order submitted to the Board on the tenth instant for the Superintendent of Streets to repair Margaret Street and make such changes in the grade as he shall deem necessary was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 17. 1864.

Margaret
Street

Ordered, That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters on Meridian Street, between Eutaw and White Streets, to furnish new edgestones to support the sidewalk, and to lay their sidewalks with brick, or flat stones within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law.

Meridian
Street

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Somerset
Street

Ordered, That there be paid to the owners of estate N^o 21 Somerset Street, the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars in full compensation for the removal of steps and portico projecting into said Somerset Street in front of said estate in accordance with the terms of the order of July 25, 1864. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 17th 1864.

Marble

Surveyed for

The Committee on Ordinances, on the part of the Board of Aldermen, to whom was referred the petition of the Surveyor of Marble for an increase of fees, have considered the same, and recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, C. F. Dana Chairman. Ordered, That the third section of the Regulations in respect to the Survey of Marble, Soapstone and Freestone, be and it is hereby amended, by increasing the amount therein prescribed as fees for surveying said articles, to one-and-a-half cents per cubic foot; and three quarters of a cent per square ft. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 17, 1864.

Rule

Death of

The Board of Trustees of the Public Library having communicated to the Mayor a series of appropriate resolutions adopted by them at a special meeting held Oct. 13, 1864, upon receiving intelligence of the decease of Joshua Bates of London which occurred on the 24th of Sept. last. His Honor, the Mayor submitted said resolutions to the City Council in the following Address: To the Honorable the City Council, Gentlemen: I embrace this opportunity to lay before you the action of the Board of Trustees of the Public Library, occasioned by the recent decease of Joshua Bates,

City of London. The death of Mr. Bide at this time seems the 331
more sudden from the fact we had anticipated the pleasure Oct. 17 1869
in which he had also indulged, that he should once more
have an opportunity to visit his country and to witness the
good result of his noble benefactions to our City. Born in 1782
in a neighboring town, he came to Boston to receive his mercan-
tile education, and entered the counting room of an eminent
merchant of that time. While his faithful service gave satisfac-
tion to his employer in business hours, he gave the proof of his
character and his ambition to excel in an honorable career by
the devotion of his leisure moments to those means at his disposal,
which would have a tendency to develop his intellectual powers
and advance his progress in the acquisition of useful knowledge.
Books at that time, were comparatively rare, and not easy to be
obtained by a youth of his limited means. But he had himself
related that his principal opportunity for their pursuit was af-
forded by a friendly bookseller on Washington Street, who invited
him in his unemployed evenings to sit by the light in his shop
and read the books laid upon the counters for sale. After attain-
ing the honorable position to which his merits entitled him, as
the Senior partner in one of the most influential Houses in the
commercial world, his memory went back to his residence in Bos-
ton; and without suggestion from any one he conceived the
idea of doing something for the benefit of the community of his
early home. In order that other young men preparing for a busi-
ness life might not suffer the deprivations to which he had been
subjected, but should have greater privileges than he had en-
joyed, he made his first noble gift of fifty thousand dollars
for the establishment of our Public Library. This has been

532. followed, as you are aware, by donations of books to an equal
Ed. 1, 1867 amount, for the same noble object. His interest in the insti-
tution continued until his death; and his correspondence upon
the subject exhibited the most comprehensive and liberal views
of it, being particularly so connected with that system of
public schools which has given Boston its exalted position in
the cause of education. The influence of Mr. Bates' career as an
example to our young men, must be beneficial, and stimulate
them to improvement while they enjoy the advantages which his
endowment provides. The solid foundations of his success were
laid in the habits and principles which he formed in early man-
hood. Commencing life in humble circumstances he obtained by
his own virtues an elevated position, and could truly say, as he
reviewed his past career.

'What merit to be chopped on fortune's hill?

'The honor is to mount it.'

Mr. Bates' history is an example to the rich as well as to the
poor. The liberality with which he dispensed the fortune which
he had acquired is an evidence that he understood the re-
sponsibility which attends the possession of wealth, and may
serve as an incentive to others who may also be blessed with
affluence. The resolutions adopted by the Board of Trustees are
so comprehensive, embracing in their tribute to his memory all the
relations which he sustained to us and to the world, that it
would be idle in me to enlarge upon the subject. His loss will
be felt and mourned wherever he was known. He has erected
his own monument in the City of Boston, and its citizens will
cherish his memory as one of their greatest benefactors. I would
respectfully suggest that such official action may be entered upon

the municipal records as will testify our gratitude for his mu- 533
nificent gifts, and our sense of the bereavement this commu- Oct. 17. 1864
nity has suffered by his death. At a Special Meet-
ing of the Trustees of the Public Library on the 13th Oct. 1864. The Pres-
ident read before the Trustees a copy of a letter from Thomas Bur-
ring Esq. M. P. to J. S. Ward Esq. of this City, agent of the House of
Messrs. Baring, & Co. containing the information of the death
of Joshua Gales Esq. the senior partner of the house, at London
21st Sept. last: Whereupon, on motion of the President, it was Res-
olved, unanimously, that the Trustees of the Public Library have
received, with the sincerest emotion, the tidings of the death of
their honored and beloved countryman Joshua Gales Esq. a man
known and respected in both hemispheres, and whose loss will
not easily be supplied in Europe or America; whose character,
in all respects pure and exemplary, was marked equally by
the most endearing domestic and social qualities, and by that
cool intelligence, sound judgment, executive force and sterling
worth, which enabled him not only to achieve extraordinary
success in life, but to render important services to his fellow-men
in the widest fields of action. The Trustees with gratitude to his
memory, look back upon the numberless acts of disinterested ser-
vice, personal kindness, and unsolicited generosity extending dur-
ing his long career to his countrymen abroad, and they con-
template with pride and thankfulness his important agency in
preserving and strengthening the ties of good will between
the limited countries especially in the trying times which have
come upon us, they honor the pure patriotism which glowed in
his heart and guided his conduct rebuking dissension and divi-
sion, and counteracting, in no small degree, the sinister fain in-

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Oct. 17. 1864. Resolved, that the members of the Board of the Boston Public Library, in view of the liberality of Mr. Bates, in the endowment of the Boston Public Library, in which he was actuated by the earnest desire, that his fellow-citizens of Boston, in all coming time, should enjoy those early advantages of mental culture, which fortune denied to him; and while the Board bear in grateful remembrance the benefits of a long list of editions of the Institution, they cheerfully accord to him, as by far its largest benefactor, both for the magnitude and judicious appropriation of his gifts, and for the deep interest which he took in its prosperity from the outset, the name and honors of the founder of the Boston Public Library. Resolved, that in consideration of the great value of Mr. Bates' donations in money and books, the large hall of the Library be henceforward known and designated as Bates Hall. Resolved, that a copy of this tribute to the memory of our munificent founder be transmitted to the family of Mr. Bates, and to the House of Representatives with the assurance of our sincere sympathy. Resolved, that these proceedings be conspicuously entered upon the records of the Library, and that the Secretary be requested to cause a separate copy of the letters of Mr. Bates and all other documents pertaining to his endowment to be made, that the same may be held in distinct & perpetual remembrance. Resolved, that a copy of these proceedings be communicated to His Honor the Mayor, for the information of the City Council. True copy. Wm. C. C. Sewell, Secretary. Read and thereupon Alderman Clapp submitted the following resolutions. Resolved, that we cordially and unanimously unite the

expression of our sorrow to that of the Trustees of the Public Library in recording the loss sustained by the death of Mr. Bates, which will affect interests that extend throughout

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Christendom, is especially felt here, where his youth was nurtured and where, mainly, were formed the elements of a character, whose generous and beneficent influences should, in no part of the world, be more gratefully acknowledged than in this city and by its constituted authorities. Resolved, That the Inhabitants of Boston mourn the death of Mr. Bates as that of a friend, known to them not only by his uniform kindness and liberality to such of their number as have fallen within the reach of his wide influence, but as a benefactor to this community in the foundation of a Public Library, whose treasures, in the hands and homes of all, - while they already bear witness to his wise, generous and disinterested munificence, and his prevalent love of doing good, will hereafter, by the large and constant increase for which he has provided and by the widening benefits that are sure to follow it, keep his name and virtues in grateful remembrance through all future time. Resolved, That these proceedings be entered in full upon the city records, and that copies of them, duly certified, be sent, as an expression of the sympathy of the people of Boston, to the family of Mr. Bates and to the House of Representatives, in which Mr. Bates was the active partner. Resolved, That a certified copy of these proceedings be sent to the Board of Trustees of the Public Library for their information. Read twice and passed unanimously. Sent down for concurrence. October 20. Came up concurred unanimously. Approved by the Mayor October 22, 1864.

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Warrants
for
ballot
meetings.

sued for meetings of the legal voters of this City in their respective Wards on Tuesday the Eighth day of November next being the Tuesday after the first Monday of said month, at nine o'clock, A.M. then and there to give in their ballots for Twelve Electors of President and Vice President of the United States, each ballot for such electors to contain the name of at least one inhabitant of each Congressional District of this Commonwealth, also for the following State Officers: a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Members of the Thirty Ninth Congress for Districts No 3 and 4, a Councillor for District No 1, a Secretary, a Treasurer and Receiver General, an Auditor, and an Attorney General of this Commonwealth, Five Senators for Suffolk County, and Twenty Six Representatives from this City to the next General Court. Also for a Register of Deeds for the County of Suffolk to hold his office for three years, and for two Commissioners of Intemperance for Suffolk County in the places of C. F. Billings resigned and James E. Conley deceased. All the foregoing to be voted for on one ballot. The polls to be kept open until 10 o'clock, P.M.

Mortgage
discharged

Ordered: That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to discharge the mortgage given to the City of Boston by Job A. Turner, dated November 15, 1858 and recorded with Suffolk Deeds Lib. 69, fol. 48, the note and interest for which said mortgage was given having been fully paid.

Small

Po

Whereas it appears to this Board that Mrs. M. Namara and her two children who reside at No 61 May Street, are seriously ill with the Small Pox, and are there-

by endangering the health of that neighborhood and that
the public safety requires their removal, it is hereby Ordered:
That the Superintendent of Health be and he is hereby directed
to cause said persons to be removed forthwith to the proper
Hospital on Deer or Ruinsford Islands as the Directors for Pub-
lic Institutions may determine.

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Oct. 1, 1864

On motion of Alderman Nash
the Board took from the table the report inappertinent to register
on the proposed establishment of the Board of Trustees of Mount Hope
Cemetery, and the question being on the acceptance of said
report, the further consideration of the subject was assigned
for Monday next at four and a half o'clock, P.M.

Mount Hope
Cemetery
Trustees

Ordered, That the Chief of Police
be directed to give notice to Gardner Brewer, owner of the pas-
sageway or driveway leading into Washington Street between
numbers 413 and 415 said street to cause the stones forming
the pavement of said way to be raised to the level of the side-
walks in front of the estates N^{os} 413 and 415 within ten days of
the date of this order, the said way not being in a proper and
safe condition for travel in its present shape. If the terms of
this order are not complied with at the expiration of the time
above mentioned, the Superintendent of Streets is directed to
cause the said work to be done at the cost of said Gardner
Brewer.

Brewer.

Agreeably to the reports of the
Committee on Januill Hall, the use of said Hall was granted
to S. J. Wright and others for a political meeting on Octo-
ber 22^d and to F. B. Hebbins and others for a political meeting.

Wright
Hebbins.
Januill Hall.

Oct. 17, 1864
Metropolitan
Railroad

Agreeably to assignment the Board took up the subject of a proposed location for the Metropolitan Railroad company so as to reach the Depot of the Old Colony and Worcester Railroads. Benjamin Swan, Esq. appeared for the Metropolitan Railroad Company, and George C. Halluck, Esq. appeared for the Broadway Railroad Company. After hearing the arguments of the several parties the hearing was closed and the subject was recommended to the Committee on Paving.

North
Hanover
Court.

Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the eighteenth day of July 1864, a nuisance has been abated in North Hanover Court, the cost of which was seventy nine ⁵⁹/₁₀₀ dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Whipp
Place

Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the twenty ninth day of August 1864, a nuisance has been abated in Whipp's Place, Charter & Salem Streets, the cost of which was two hundred and twenty ²²/₁₀₀ dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums

therein set to their respective names, as their proportionate part 339.
of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the Oct. 17. 1864.
same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the
parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Whereas it appears to this Colton
Board that a nuisance exists on premises at Colton Place
by obstructed drain, waste water, dirt and filth on said prem-
ises, belonging to Howard Gannett, which is dangerous to the
health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered That the Super-
intendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said
nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from
said drain and all filth and dirt from cellar at the expense
of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has ne-
glected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas pursuant to an order of South Margin
this Board, passed on the 20th day of August 1864 a nuisance
has been abated in South Margin Street, the cost of which was
fifty $\frac{1}{2}$ dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same,
according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named
in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as afore-
said, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the
sums therein set to their respective names as their proportion-
al part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and
the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given
to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Leave was granted to the Bo- Bohemian
hemian Glass Blowers to give an exhibition at Summer Hill Glass Blowers
East Boston, for one week, commencing October 24th.

Oct. 17. 1864.
Second hand
articles

Leave was granted to the following persons to keep shops for dealing in Second Hand Articles: Jacob Loren at 138 Cambridge Street. Fred Allen 142 Portland Street. John Buckley 287 1/2 Brighton Street.

Intelligence
office

Leave was granted to Martha J. Smiley to keep an Intelligence Office at 7, Mystic Street.

Pawnbroker

Leave was granted to Bernard Cohen to keep a Pawnbroker's Office at 85 Gullbury Street.

Ripley,
Smith

Wilton

The Committee on Steam Engines to whom were referred petitions of A. L. Ripley & others, & of William J. Smith and others that a nuisance caused by a Steam Whining Mill in Village Street, owned by A. L. Wilton, may be removed, reported that as the party complained of has removed, no further action is necessary. Read and accepted.

Congress
Street.

Spaulding.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Congress Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take and lay out as a public street or way of the said City a parcel of land belonging to Solomon C. Spaulding bounded as follows, viz: Westwardly by the proposed line of widening of said street there measuring eighty feet and $\frac{2}{3}$ of 100; Southwardly to land of Eliza B. L. Pickman, two feet and $\frac{3}{4}$ of 100; Eastwardly by the present line of said street eighty one feet and $\frac{1}{4}$ of 100; and Northwardly by High Street, three feet and $\frac{5}{100}$: containing two hundred and sixty seven square feet and $\frac{7}{100}$ more or

est. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of 5/11
this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose Oct. 1st 1864
aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is
therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be,
and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public
street or way of the said City - according to a plan of the said
widening made by S. Henry Crafts, City Engineer. Dated October
1st 1864 and deposited in the Office of the said Board of Alder-
men. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widen-
ing the said Congress Street, as aforesaid, will amount to One
Thousand dollars; which sum, together with the amount of
estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street,
during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of
five thousand dollars. Read once.

Whereas, it appears to this
Board that a necessity exists for the construction of a
sewer, in Hanover Avenue, between North and Hanover
Streets, and that public notice of such intention has been
given, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Sewers
be and he is hereby directed to construct a common sewer
in said Hanover Avenue, and to report a schedule of the
expense thereof to this Board, pursuant to law. Read once.

Hanover
Avenue
sewer.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock PM.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on Monday the twenty fourth day of October Anno Domini, 1864.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Jurors

Three Petit Jurors drawn for

the United States Circuit Court.

Davis

Petition of George H. Davis that a driveway may be constructed in rear of his premises adjacent to the South Burial Ground. Referred to the Committee on Cemeteries.

St. Stephen's
House

Petition of St. Stephen's House for an abatement of taxes on that institution. Referred to the Committee on the Fiscal Department.

Clark

Petition of Moses Clark for an abatement of taxes on his real estate for 1864. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department.

Roxbury
annexation

A notice of a proposed petition to the next Legislature for the annexation of Roxbury to Boston, was read and placed on file.

Mason

Petition of William P. Mason, Jr. and another, for the removal of a tree from the sidewalk of 75 Beacon Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Hulme
Sailors' Fair

Petition of W. F. Hulme for the loan of certain paintings at Faneuil Hall for the aid of the Sailors' Fair. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall with full power.

Petition of Edward Correll & 543.

others for the use of a portion of Boston Common for the purpose of an exhibition of a model of Everett's Monitor in aid of the United States on November 9th next. Referred to the Committee on the Common with full power.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a sewer in Washington Street from Temple Place to Bedford Street, the subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers.

Washington
Street.

Petition of Fred^k W. Mahar to be compensated for injuries done to himself by an alleged defect in a highway of this City. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. October 27. Came up concurred.

Mahar

Petition of Cummings & Carlisle to be compensated for losses sustained by them in fulfillment of their contract in erection of the City Hospital. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Claims. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Cummings

The Committee on Public Buildings respectfully represent to the City Council, that the appropriations for the City Hospital are exhausted. The following is a statement of the expenditures since May 1. 1864:-

City
Hospital
appropriation

J. and J. Walworth, on account,	\$ 6,000.00
Morrison & Shaw, in full,	4,846.00
Timothy Hannon, on account filling,	8,300.00
Joel Wheeler & Sons, balance due on Porter's Lodge,	1,083.00
J. C. Norbridge, balance due on Horse Sheds,	1,508.00
J. W. Coburn, in full for Foundation, Iron Fence,	1,850.00

5114	to P. Everbeck, balance Printing Contract, and Extras,	1476. ⁷⁶
Oct. 24. 1864	Sundry bills for labor on Grounds, &c	<u>8150.15</u>
	Total	\$ 36,501.91

The amount of the appropriations expended, was, \$ 26,480.03

Making the amount overdrawn, \$ 10,021.61

There is still needed for completing the payments, for heating apparatus, carpenter work, grading the grounds, and the iron fence, nearly twenty thousand dollars; and the Committee therefore ask an additional appropriation of thirty thousand dollars. For the Committee, Daniel Davies, Chairman. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Finance. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred.

Bates
Memorial.

Ordered: That the Message of His Honor the Mayor and the accompanying paper relative to the death of the late John Bates Esq. be printed and bound in cloth similar to the Fourth of July orations. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor October 25. 1864.

Bates
Library

Ordered: That the Trustees of the Public Library be requested to furnish a statement of Mr. Bates' benefactions to the Library and such other matters as they may deem expedient in relation to his connection with it to be printed with the Resolutions in regard to his death. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor October 25. 1864.

Mount Hope
Cemetery

According to assignment the Board took from the table the report of the Committee, that

it is inexpedient to legislate on the proposed abolition of the Board of Mount Hope Cemetery, and the question being on the acceptance of said report, Alderman Nash moved to substitute therefor the following order. Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances prepare and report an ordinance changing the composition of the Board of Trustees of Mount Hope Cemetery so that it shall consist of one Alderman, two members of the Common Council and two citizens at large. - which motion prevailed and said order was passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Ordered: That so much of the order passed Nov. 17th 1862 whereby the land on South Bay territory lying east of Albany Street and between Houghton Street, and Roxbury line was set apart for the use of the Sewer and Water Departments, be and the same is hereby rescinded and that the Committee on Public Lands be directed in consultation with the Committee on Sewers, the Kochituate Water Board, and the Trustees of the City Hospital, to set apart said lot of land for the purposes of yards for the Sewer, and Water Departments, a portion for the use of the City Hospital, and for other purposes, also to report a plan of the same to the City Council for approval. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. October 27. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor October 28. 1864.

The Committee on Finance having duly considered the applications of the Committee on the Fire Department, and that of the Committee on Public Buildings, asking for additional appropriations, respectfully

South Bay.

Departments

Appropriations
transfer

546 recommend to the City Council the passage of the annexed
Oct. 24. 1864 order for the Committee. J. H. Lincoln, Chairman. Ordered:
That the following transfer of appropriations be made viz:
from the General Fund to City Halls ten thousand five hun-
dred dollars; to engine fund five thousand dollars. Passed in
Common Council. Yeas 36. Nays none. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred. Aldermen Coff, Dana, Davies,
Denio, Heath, Haringer, Rich, Torrey, Standish, Starns, War-
ren. Ayes none. Sent Alderman Ingalls. Approved by the
Mayor. October 25. 1864.

Hose
Carriage
Drivers pay

The Committee on the Fire Depart-
ment, to whom was referred the petition of the Drivers of Fire
Carriages for an increase of salary have considered the
same and respectfully report: That in their opinion the
work done by the Drivers of the Fire Carriages is fully as great
in extent and responsibility as that of the Drivers of the
Steam Fire Engines and they deserve to be placed on an
equality with them in respect to salary. The Committee there-
fore recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For
the Committee, J. A. Denio, Chairman. Ordered: That the salary
of the Drivers of the Fire Carriages be fixed at fifty five dollars
per month each, to date from July 1. 1864. Read twice & passed.
Sent down for concurrence. October 27. Came up concurred. Ap-
proved by the Mayor Oct. 28. 1864.

Ward
Room

The Committee on Public Build-
ings who were directed to provide suitable Ward Rooms for Ward
3, 4, 7, 10, and 11 respectfully report that great difficulty was
in obtaining suitable rooms within the limits of the present
Wards but they have done the best they could in the premises.

In Ward 3, they have obtained the use of a room in Chardon Street. In Ward 4 no better place than the old room can be found. In Ward 7 they have procured the use of Mercantile Hall, Summer Street. In Ward 10, the old Ward Room in the Primmer School House can be used, and by an improvement made in the present Ward Room of Ward 11, that room can be used. They therefore advise the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, Daniel Davies, Chairman. Ordered: That for the purposes of the ensuing State and Municipal Elections the following Ward rooms be established. Ward 3. In Chardon Street. 4. Court Square, as at present. 7. Mercantile Hall, Summer Street. 10. Primmer School House, Common Street. 11. Washington Street, near Dover Street, as at present. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. October 27. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Oct. 28. 1864.

547.

Oct. 24. 1864.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Sewers to construct a sewer in Hanover Avenue, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 25. 1864.

Hanover Avenue

The Common Council having referred to the Committee on Ordinances the Ordinance in relation to Water which passed this Board on Monday last, said action came up for concurrence. Read and this Board receded from its former vote and concurred in said reference.

Water Ordinance

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repair Harrison Avenue opposite the City Hospital, and make such changes in the grade

Harrison Avenue

5418 of said street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all
Oct. 24. 1864 such projections on the line of said street as he shall deem dan-
gerous; also, to close all openings into said street which are
not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read
twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 25. 1864

Social
Law
Library

Ordered: That there be allowed &
paid to the Social Law Library under the provisions of the Gen-
eral Statutes Chap. 33. Sec. 6. the sum of One thousand dollars
and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the County
of Suffolk. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Octo-
ber 25. 1864.

Wilton
Place

Ordered: That the Superintendent
of Streets be authorized to repair so much of Wilton Place, so
called, as he may deem necessary, and make such changes
in the grade of said street as he shall deem necessary, and
remove all such projections on the line of said street as he shall
deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said street which
are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City.
Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Oct. 25. 1864

Drill
Rooms

Ordered, That the Committee on
Armories be and they hereby are authorized, with the advice
and consent of His Honor the Mayor, to secure suitable drill
rooms and armories for the companies of active militia organiz-
ed under the act of the last Legislature. Read twice & passed.
Approved by the Mayor Oct. 25. 1864.

Congress
Street.

The resolve and order submit-
ted at the last meeting of the Board to widen Congress Street,

by taking hand of S. R. Spruiling, were read a second time 544
and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 25. 1864 Oct. 24. 1864

The Bonds of Oliver N. Spurr Constables
and Albert G. Sauer, Constables, having already been approved bonds
by the City Treasurer were also approved by this Board. Said bonds
were also approved by the Mayor October 24. 1864.

The Special Committee ap- Franklin
pointed to examine the accounts of the Treasurer of the Fund
Fund, have attended to that duty and he have to Report: That
find the accounts correct as far as accompanying balance sheet.
Estimated value of the Fund; December 31st 1863.

Deposit in the Hospital Life Insurance Co.	94,865.30
Provident Institution for Savings	462.30
Suffolk Savings Bank	814.87
Bal. in hands of Treasurer	<u>28.42</u>
Total	96,170.89
Due on Bonds supposed to be good	<u>682.</u>
	96,852.89

For the Committee, Geo. W. Warren, Chairman. Read and accepted.

The Committee on Faneuil Stebbins
Hall reported in favor of granting the use of Faneuil Hall Stebbins
to G. B. Stebbins and others on October 26th and October 29th on
the usual conditions.

S. Sugarman was licensed as a Second hand
dealer in Second Hand Articles at No. 44 Newland Street also
Lewis Hammelburg at No. 186 Harrison Avenue. articles

Ebenezer Kenfield was licent-

ed as a keeper of an Intelligence Office at 116 Court Street.

James
Thomas
Hark.

On petition of Benjamin James and others that edgestones may be re-set around Thomas Park the Committee on Paving reported that no action is necessary thereon this season. Read and accepted.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on Monday the thirty first day of October, Anno Domini, 1864.
Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Clapp.

Militia

Petition of the Twenty Fourth unattached Company of Militia for approval of their armory in Scyeston Hall. Referred to the Committee on Armories.

Fire

In pursuance to the recommendation of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, the discharges of John A. Goodell from engine company No 4 and of Alfred B. Cole from Hook and Ladder company No 3 were approved by the Board.

Fire

On nomination by the Mayor the admission of Multhius Conley into engine company No 4.

Erastus C. Rogers into Engine Company No 8. Edw. H. Skinner into 551
to Fire Company No 4. and George Alexander into Hook and Oct. 31 1864
Ladder Company No 3, were approved by the Board.

Copy of a proposed petition Brookline
to the next Legislature by the Brookline Street Railroad Company
for a charter was referred to the next Board of Aldermen. Street
Railroad

Copy of a proposed petition Mallapan
to the next Legislature by the Mallapan Railroad Company for
a charter, was referred to the next Board of Aldermen. Railroad

Petition of John H. Wright and Wright
others that measures be taken to prohibit fast driving over
the Western Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.
Sent down for concurrence. November 3^d came up concurred.

Petition of the North Street Mis- North Street
sion to the City that the City would furnish them with a suit- Mission
able building for the promotion of their cause. Referred to the
Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence.
November 3^d came up concurred.

The Common Council having Mount Hope
amended the order which passed this Board on the 24th inst. Cemetery
in relation to a modification of the composition of the Board
of Trustees of Mount Hope Cemetery by adding at the end thereof
the following words "one of whom shall be the proprietor of a
lot in said cemetery" said action came up for concurrence. Read
7 this Board concurred therein. Approved by the Mayor Octbr 31 1864

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Water
Ordinance

to whom was referred the Ordinance in amendment of the Ordinance in relation to Water, have considered the same, and respectfully recommend that it pass, with an amendment striking out all after the word "provided". To the Committee, C. F. Dana chairman. Read, accepted and the Ordinance was passed with these amendments, at A substitute September for August. and strike out the whole of the proviso between Br C. Sent down for concurrence. November 3^d came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Nov. 4. 1864

City
Charter

The Joint Special Committee appointed to consider and report what measures, if any are expedient and necessary, to secure amendments to the City Charter in respect to the term of service of members of the City Council, respectfully report: That so far as the Committee are informed, it is the universal opinion of all persons who have experience in the City Government, that the public interest would be greatly served by increasing the length of the term of service of members of the City Council and by electing only a portion each year. As the subject is familiar to all, and the reasons which make the change desirable have heretofore been placed upon record in printed documents of former years, the Committee do not deem it necessary to go into any discussion of those reasons. They recommend the passage of the accompanying order. C. F. Dana, G. W. Hering, J. M. Fitch, Alex. Bulsworth, Moses W. Richardson Committee. Ordered, That with such as the Board of Aldermen may join, in co-operation with His Honor the Mayor, be a Committee to take measures to procure from the General Court the

enactment of the following amendments to the City Charter: 333

1. That the tenure of the office of Mayor be biennial; and in case of illness of the Mayor and inability to attend to his duties in his absence from the City, his powers by a vote of the City Council may be devolved upon the Chairman of the Board of Aldermen. 2. That the members of the Board of Aldermen be elected for a term of three ^A years, with alternate vacancies, ^B four to go out each year. 3. That the members of the Common Council be elected for two years, two from each Ward to go out each year. ^C In Common Council. Passed with these amendments at A. insert "two" instead of "three" - at B. insert "six" instead of "four" - at C. insert "4. That said amendments shall take effect only after the act authorizing the same has been submitted to the legal voters of this City in their respective Wards and has been accepted by them." Came up for concurrence. Read, and this Board concurred therein. Approved by the Mayor November 5. 1864. Oct. 31. 1864

The City Registrar submitted to the Board his report for the quarter ending October 31st by which it appears the amount of fees received by him was three hundred and ninety six dollars and seven cents. In Common Council. Placed on file. City Registrar

The Bond of Silas Carlton a constable having been approved by the City Treasurer was also approved by the Board of Aldermen and by the Mayor. Constable's bond

The Committee on Paving on the petition of Albert Bellamy and others that the Old Colony and Newport Railroad Company may be obliged to erect gates. Belleley Old Colony? Newport R.R.

554. on their tracks across Dorchester Avenue, would respectfully,
Oct. 31. 1864. report the accompanying order for the committee L. Miles
Standish, Chairman. Ordered: Upon the foregoing petition that
all parties interested therein will be heard before the Board
of Aldermen, on Monday, Nov. 14, 1864, at four o'clock P. M. and
that a copy of said petition with this order thereon be served on
the Old Colony and Newport Railroad Company and published
in the Daily Advertiser, Post Journal, Herald, Transcript and
Traveller.

Library
opening of
on
Sundays

The Committee on the Public Library to whom was referred the foregoing order, have considered the same and Report. The subject of this order is not new for the first time presented. The Trustees to whom "the general care and control of the Public Library" are given by the City Ordinance, had this subject under consideration, October 18, 1859, and voted unanimously, the yeas and nays having been called, "that in the opinion of the Trustees it is unnecessary and inexpedient to open the Library on Sundays." The question then discussed, we are told, was in fact only that of opening the Reading Room. The idea of opening the whole Library never having been for a moment entertained. Whenever this question has been raised in other cities, at home or abroad, it has, so far as we can learn, been always decided in the same manner. The question as to opening the Reading Room only for the afternoon or evening of Sunday, having been raised in the Committee, it was decided to confer with the Trustees on the whole subject. At that meeting we found their unanimous opinion to be the same as the vote of 1859, but expressed in stronger

terms of disapprobation of the project. A proposal having been 333.
made a few years since in England, to open certain 'Public Lib. 31. 1864
Libraries' on Sundays, we copy in relation to it, the words of
a standard authority upon the management of Libraries, Mr.
Edward Edwards, in his *Annals of Libraries*, published in Lon-
don 1859, vol. 2, pages 1044 and 1045. 'Until very recently any
discussion in the United Kingdom of the question, 'Ought our
Public Libraries to be kept open on Sundays?' would have
seemed to most persons superfluous. By a majority at all e-
vents, of the educated and thoughtful amongst our country-
men, such a step is still regarded as a manifest infinge-
ment of the spirit, if not of the letter of Christian obligations.
To a considerable proportion even of the minority, it appears
to be a step which, indirectly at least must tend to aggravate
evils already very formidable. It is merely surface work to
argue that there can be 'no harm in reading good books' that
many 'other public places are allowed to be open,' that 'it is
far better that persons should spend their Sunday leisure in a
library than in places of merely frivolous amusement,' and the
other usual commonplaces; all of which are unquestionably
true, but prove nothing to the point. If, indeed, it could be shown,
that the officers and servants of libraries stand in no need of
the Sabbathical rest; that the throwing open of institutions for
the government of which communities, as such, are responsible,
has no tendency to break down the public safeguards which at
present to a great extent protect the most blessed privilege of the
poor man from dependence on the mere will and pleasure
of the richer man; and, finally, that the established practice
of lending out the books of Town Libraries does not substantially

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make those Libraries thoroughly available at all times, to all who are likely to make good use of them, then, a resolution will have been used for a reconsideration of this question. Meanwhile, I cannot hesitate to express my conviction that the predominating public opinion, which in nearly all cases has hitherto negatived the proposal, is abundantly justified. The points I have indicated by no means exhaust the elements of this important question, but they are those which are, in this place, important. For these and other reasons concurring fully in the opinion of the Trustees, that the opening of the Library on Sunday is unnecessary and inexpedient, we recommend the indefinite postponement of the order to the committee. G. W. Merriam, Chairman. Read and disposed for consideration on Wednesday, November 9th at four and a half o'clock, P.M.

Market

Charles B. Rice, the Superintendent of the Market reported that for the quarter ending October 31st he had received as rent of stalls and cellars in Faneuil Hall Market houses the sum of seventeen thousand nine hundred and eleven dollars and seventy five cents, all of which he had paid into the City Treasury. Read and filed.

Assessors
Department

The Committee on the Assessors' Department beg leave to make the following report of facts, so far as they are able to obtain them, in relation to a violation of one of the City Ordinances by a member of the Board of Principal Assessors. The Assessors' Office opens in accordance with the City Ordinances, daily at 9 A.M. and closes at 5 P.M. It is occupied by four Principal Assessors, and more or less clerks, as the work of the office requires. It is usually the case that some days previ-

out to elections the work of the office is much increased in number 557.
our applications of persons to be assessed who were omitted in the Oct. 31 1867
regular annual assessment. Notwithstanding this increase of
business, however, the greater part of the work is done before two
o'clock, and the Assessors are accustomed to leave the office at
the usual time - five o'clock. It has come to the knowledge of the
Committee that Mr. Bartlett, one of the Principal Assessors, on Thurs-
day evening, Oct. 27, left the office at, or about the usual time,
but made an arrangement with the porter that the office might
be reopened in case he should return in the course of the even-
ing. Mr. Bartlett returned to the office between half past six and
seven o'clock. One of the clerks had not then left, but he did
leave at seven o'clock, so that the only person remaining in
the office was Mr. Bartlett. According to his own testimony Mr.
Bartlett opened his office that evening, in accordance with a
special arrangement made on the previous Monday with Mr.
George B. Proctor of South Boston, and assessed and furnished
tax bills in the presence of said Proctor to the thirty-four persons
whose names follow, no other member of the Board being present
or having cognizance of the transaction: John Bessiman James
Cummerford, Francis Carranagh, William Curran, Mr. Patrick Charles
Segan Thomas Dixon, Wm. Leary, Michael Glenn, Redman Bar-
ry, Edward Farrell, Patrick Garigan, Michael Higgins, Michael
Hynes, Wm. Haughan, John Hall, Jeremiah Haley, John Kane Thomas
Kennedy, Dennis Lohan, Thomas Malone, Thomas Mahoney, Wm.
McLaughlin, James Mc Dermott, Thomas Mc Tier, Owen Muller, John
C. Moore, Paul O'Brien, John J. O'Connell, Sen. Proctor, Patrick Quin-
ley, Thomas Riordan, Jeremiah Sexton, John J. Tierney. The work of
assessing these men was completed about seven o'clock. P. M.

558. The Committee find that this transaction has no precedent in the
Oct. 31 1864 past twenty years; that it was done without the knowledge of
any person connected with the office except the clerk above refer-
red to, and that it was altogether unjustifiable and in viola-
tion of the City Ordinances. To the Committee, H. A. Stevens, Chair-
man. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Jewell
Queen Street

On petition of Harvey Jewell &
others that Queen Street from Standen to Saltham Street may
be accepted, the Committee on Paving reported that it is incomp-
edient this year. Read and accepted.

Holden

On petition of Artemas R.
Holden to be paid for damages occasioned to his estate on
Milton Street from a change of grade, the Committee on Paving
reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Second Hand
Articles

Agreeably to the reports of the Com-
mittee on Licenses the following persons were licensed as Salers
in Second Hand Articles: William H. Mather 155 Conger Street.
John B. Regan 251 Head Street. Augustus L. Swan 109 1/2 Beach
Street.

Stebbins
Faneuil Hall

Leave was granted to S. B. Steb-
bins and others to hold a political meeting in Faneuil Hall
on Tuesday evening, November 3^d 1864, on the usual conditions.

East Street
School House

The Committee on Public Build-
ings were instructed to confer with the Committee on
School Houses of the School Committee, and to consider and report
what plan it is advisable to adopt for the improvement of the

accommodations of the East Street School House in respect to yard 559.
room have attended to that duty and respectfully report that Oct. 31. 1864
in their opinion it is expedient to increase the yard-room of the
East Street School, and they recommend the passage of the
accompanying order to the Committee, Daniel L. Davis Chairman.
'Ordered, That the Committee on Public Buildings be
and they hereby are authorized to purchase not exceeding eight
thousand five hundred square feet of land, at the corner of East
and Gore Streets, for the purpose of enlarging the yard of the East
Street School house at a cost not exceeding fifteen thousand
dollars. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he is authorized
to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, the
sum of fifteen thousand dollars, the same to be appropriated
to the purchase of land for increasing the yard-room of the East
Street School-house. Read once.

Adjourned to Wednesday Nov. 9. 1864. at 4 o'clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the
Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechan-
ics Hall on Saturday the fifth day of November Anno Domini
1864. by order of the Mayor.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Stevens

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Sumpsterism

Petition of the Boston Society for the prevention of Sumpsterism for an abatement of the tax assessed upon the room occupied by them on Abchurch Street. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department.

Metropolitan
Railroad

Petition of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company for leave to construct a curve-track on Tremont Street near Penck Street so as to enter upon their land there. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Constable's
bond.

The bond of William F. A. Kelly, a Constable, having been already approved by the City Treasurer was also approved by the Board. Approved by the Mayor November 7. 1864.

Meridian
Street.

Ordered: That the Board adopt the revised grade of Meridian Street, between White Street and the Chelsea Free Bridge, as shown on a plan made by the City Engineer and deposited in the Office of the Board of Aldermen. Read twice and passed. Approved by Mayor Nov. 7. 1864.

Bills
to be paid

Ordered, That the following bills for services rendered or materials furnished, by persons connected, directly or indirectly, with the City Government, be paid, provided they are approved and allowed in the usual manner, viz: N. Adams seventy nine dollars and fifty six cents, twenty six dollars and forty eight cents; G. Crosby one thousand and seventy five dollars and five cents; twenty eight dollars and ninety eight cents; Denis and Roberts ninety four dollars; twelve dollars, twelve dollars and eighty one cents, ten dollars; Gallagher 80. thirty dollars and fifty cents; nineteen

dollars and sixty two cents, eighty dollars and eighty two 561
cents, one hundred and fifty eight dollars and fifty cents Nov. 5 1864
thirty three dollars and three cents; N. W. Pratt seven hundred
and forty three dollars and fifty four cents, one hundred and
thirty five dollars; J. B. and S. V. Spring four hundred and fifty
eight dollars and fifty five cents; G. Hall twenty two dollars
ten cents; Standish and Woodbury four hundred and ninety one
dollars and six cents Passed in Common Council, came up
for concurrence Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor,
November 5 1864

Ordered, That the Committee Canton Street
on Public Buildings be and they hereby are authorized to Place
sell at public auction the estate on Canton Street Place owned
by the city and formerly used for a Station House. Passed in
Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.
Approved by the Mayor, November 5 1864.

The Committee on Claims, to Tucker
whom was referred the petition of Samuel T. Tucker for compensation
for damages sustained in consequence of the alleged defective
condition of the sidewalk in Friend Street, have considered
the same, and heard the petitioner, and recommend the
passage of the accompanying order, to settle his claim for the
Committee, His Verdict, Chairman. Ordered: That there be
paid to Samuel T. Tucker, upon his giving a full acquittance
and discharge of all claims for damage on account of personal
injuries sustained by him in consequence of a defect
in the sidewalk of Friend Street, the sum of six hundred and
fifty dollars Passed in Common Council. Came up for con-

Nov. 5. 1864. concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor. November 5. 1864

Special
Police

On nomination by the Mayor, the following persons were appointed Special Police Officers without pay for duty at the State House in this city, viz: H. H. Rice, A. H. Leiman, L. Cushman, W. Clarke, N. W. Welch, J. Hingale, W. Boyer, J. Miner, and A. Robinson.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor, the following persons were appointed and confirmed as Police Officers of this City for special duty from November 5th to the 13th inclusive, viz: Charles C. Allison, Oliver G. Fernald, James K. Hartwell, Geo. C. Brynlon, Geo. H. Goodrich, Byron M. Welch, Jacob C. Hook, Frank F. Krane, George Saunders, Calvin Walker, Wm. H. Young, Charles H. Moore, Walter Philbrick, Wm. H. Sullivan, Albert F. Gould, Lewis A. Moore, Geo. H. Sanborn, Edw. A. Bond, Geo. Hayden, Edw. B. Myers, Walter C. Goddard, Wm. C. Goddard, John S. Howard, Hollis W. Howard, C. Bruce Goodhue, Oliver Guppy, Joseph J. Lancaster, John G. Warner, Thomas Fitzgerald, Geo. J. Shaw, Geo. L. Chubbuck, W. F. Putnam, Albert Newman, Sylvester W. Robinson, Daniel L. Robinson, Daniel W. Heffer, Richard P. Rowe, Frank S. Whittier, Hastings A. Ladd, Elisha Ford, Geo. H. Welch, Ira H. Atkinson, Geo. W. Harmon, Henry Colby, Nathl. Goldsmith, Rufus Keefe, Geo. L. Shaw, John S. Walker, Allen F. Simons, Andrew J. Brown, Cha^s C. Lovell, Thomas J. Hawwell, Henry F. Baldwin, Wm. W. Mitchell, James Winn, Andrew J. King, Adam W. Olney, Hazen Bradbury, Orland F. Taylor, Frank M. Buckley, Quincy Bradbury, Geo. Lucille, Columbus Moulton, Fred G. King, John Bell, Geo. F. Johnson, Mrs. H. Johnson, Thomas Cobb, Henry D. Ladd, John S. Luster, William Karna, John W. Arthur, John Ryan, James P. Jost, Alfred Reed, John B. Murlov, William W. Scott

George. Austin, James Warren, William Proctor, Samuel Tullon, 363
Joseph H. Bird, Alfred L. Bailey, Lemuel Clarke, Charles E.
Crane, William L. Delee, William Luger, Charles A. Green,
Henry Haur, Silina Horton, Elbridge Saunders, George H. Merrill,
William A. Mason, John Neal, Peter Oke, Henry C. Charles &
Turker, William R. Reynolds, Julius A. Wadland, Henry P.
Smith, Geo. W. Trow, Hiram A. Taylor, William A. Taylor, Geo. J.
Fernald, Phineas C. Shackley, George Acorn, Wallace C. Cum-
mings, Willard Milton, Jesse D. Scott, Samuel P. Skinner, James
B. Shuttuck, Samuel Mallows, Eli C. Wood, Jacob Wagner, Sam-
uel V. Dunling, Atkins Pierce, Frank E. Eastman, Hiram Went-
worth, Geo. W. Kimstrong, Isaac Ellinger, Calvin J. Symonds, William
H. Wyman, Robert Tullon Winthrop A. Woodburn, William C. Hay-
den, Edward Courte, Thomas J. Tyler, William Weiss, Amos A. See-
wood, Stephen H. Wyall, James McVern, Benj. B. Brown, Joseph J.
as, James Burr.

The Board then adjourned to Wednesday next at 4 o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall
on Wednesday the Ninth day of November, Anno Domini,
1864.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petition of the Metropolitan Metropolitan
Railroad Company for curved tracks in Tremont Street near Railroad
Lenox Street and in Causeway Street near Eastern Rail

564 Road Station. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

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Smith

Petition of William J. Smith that a fence may be erected along the line of the Worcester Rail Road on Village, Orange and other streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Sept

A notice of a proposed petition to the next Legislature by W. H. Hitts and others for a City Rail Road Company. Referred to the next Board of Aldermen

Hulthorne

Copy of petition to next Legislature by J. H. Hulthorne and others for incorporation as a Citizens Omnibus Line. Referred to the next Board of Aldermen.

Hayweiger

The Hayweiger at the North Scale reported that for the quarter ending October 31, he had received as fees the sum of seven hundred and fifty eight dollars and ninety six cents, fifty percent of which less expenses has been paid to the Association for Adult Evening Schools. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

City Clerk

The City Clerk reported that for the quarter ending October 31, 1864 he had received & paid into the City Treasury the sum of one hundred and ninety two dollars. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

City
Charter
Committee

Ordered: That Aldermen Norcross and Messinger with such as the Common Council may join be the Committee to procure from the General Court the amendments to the City Charter proposed under the orders passed

November 5. 1864. Sent down for concurrence. November 10. Came up concurred and the President and Messrs Fitch Hads. Nov. 7. 1864. with and Messrs H. Richardson were joined. Approved by the Mayor November 14. 1864.

The said Special Committee Smith appointed to consider the petition of Harriet Smith for the preservation of her late husband's interest in supplying the shipping with water have attended to that duty and respectfully report, that Mrs Smith and the parties of whose action she complains have arranged the difficulties between them, and no further action is necessary. For the Committee H. A. Stevens, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence Nov^r 10. Came up concurred.

The report submitted at the East Street School meeting of the Board on the 31st ult and the orders appended thereto for the Committee on Public Buildings to purchase eight thousand and five hundred square feet of land to enlarge the yard of the East Street School House and for a loan of sixteen thousand dollars to pay for the same, were read a second time and passed. Yeas. Aldermen Clapp, Dana, Davis, Denio, Marsh, Messinger, Nash, Norcross, Sprague, Standish, Stevens, and Warren 12. Nays none. Sent down for concurrence November 10. Came up concurred. Yeas 38. Nays 1. Approved by the Mayor, November 14. 1864.

Upon the recommendation of Natick. the Natick Water Board it was Ordered: That the Natick Water Board be authorized to purchase a piece of water land in Natick at a price not exceeding the sum of twelve hundred dollars. Read twice and passed. Sent down for

566 concurrence November 10. Came up concurred. Approved by
Nov. 9. 1864. the Mayor November 14. 1864.

Whom
Jasper

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of C. I. Lincoln, Attorney for the owner of the schooner *Jasper* for compensation for damages sustained in the channel of the South Bay, have considered the same, and the City, in their opinion, not being liable, they recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Otis Norcross, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. November 10. Came up concurred.

That
Fast driving

The Committee on Ordinances to whom was referred an order instructing them to inquire into the expediency and feasibility of so amending the Ordinance on Streets as to make the penalties for fast-driving more stringent, and also a petition signed by John N. Wright and one hundred and eighty four others to the same effect, respectfully submit the following Report: This practice of racing through the streets of the City and especially on Beacon Street, has become of late an intolerable nuisance, and has elicited the just and merited animadversions of the dwellers in that vicinity as well as of the press. It calls even more emphatically for some means of prevention and remedy, as the peaceful quiet of the Sabbath is more frequently disturbed by these disorderly manifestations than any week day. The reckless rate of speed at which vehicles have been driven on that thoroughfare, has been not only shocking to the sense of propriety of the moral and law-abiding portion of the community, but has also been productive of numerous injuries to individuals,

attended, in at least one case, with loss of life. There can be 567.
no question upon a consideration of the facts but what it is Nov. 9. 1864.
the imperative duty of the City Council to devise immediate
means of putting a stop to this breach of the public peace and
safety. The Chief of Police appears to have exerted himself, as
much as he could under existing circumstances, to make an
example of these evil doers, and in a few instances has suc-
ceeded in bringing them to punishment. Unfortunately, at pres-
ent a police officer has no authority to arrest a person com-
mitting this offence on the spot. He must first procure a warrant,
and in the delay thereupon consequent, the culprit is out of
sight of, and the opportunity is lost. If his furious career
could be instantaneously checked, and the offender then
and there held to answer the legal consequences of his
action, there can be no doubt but what the examples thus
made, would be most salutary in their future tendency.
This matter of fast driving forms the subject of two prohibi-
tory sections in the volume of City Ordinances. Section thirty
Seven of the Rules and Orders of the Board of Aldermen
concerning carriages, &c. page 107, and Section forty of the
Ordinance on Streets, page 76. These two sections are very sim-
ilar in their meaning and subject-matter, but differ some-
what in details. An infringement of the first of these ren-
ders liable to a penalty of not less than five nor more than
twenty dollars, and this is the maximum sum that can be
imposed by the action of the upper branch of the City Gov-
ernment. The limit of speed is limited by this regulation
to seven miles an hour. The Section in the Ordinance on
Streets prohibits a higher rate of speed than six miles an hour.

568. under a penalty of not less than ten nor more than fifty dol-
Nov. 9. 1864 lars; this being a general penalty applicable to the breach of
the conditions of any section in which provision is not made
for a specific fine. In order to carry out these views the Com-
mittee on Ordinances propose the following measures: Firstly.
It is recommended that after the word "street" in the last
line of the fourth section of the Ordinance on Streets these
words be added: "under a penalty of not less than ten nor
more than fifty dollars for each offence." Secondly. It is re-
commended that his Honor the Mayor petition the Legislature,
at their next session, to grant to the City Police the power of
arresting summarily and without a warrant, all persons
guilty of driving or riding through the streets at a rate
of speed incompatible with public safety. In behalf of the
Committee, C. H. Dana, Chairman. An Ordinance to amend
the Ordinance in relation to Streets Be it ordained by the
Aldermen and Common Council of the City of Boston, in City
Council assembled, as follows: Section 1. The fourth section of
the Ordinance in relation to Streets is hereby amended by ad-
ding thereto the words: "under a penalty of not less than ten
nor more than fifty dollars for each offence." Read twice and
passed. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 10. Came up concurred.
Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 14. 1864

Fast
Driving

Ordered: That His Honor the
Mayor be and he hereby is authorized to petition the Legisla-
ture for the enactment of a law giving the Police power of arrest-
ing, summarily, and without a warrant, persons guilty of rid-
ing or driving through the streets at a rate of speed incom-
patible with public safety. Read twice and passed. Sent

down for concurrence. November 10. Came up concurred. 369

Approved by the Mayor November 11. 1864.

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Admiral Thoms

Copeland

death

man of the Committee on Accounts announced to the Board the decease of Elisha Copeland, Auditor of Accounts, which occurred at his residence yesterday, and he submitted to the Board the following Resolves: Resolved, That the City Council have heard, with the deepest sorrow, of the sudden decease of Elisha Copeland, Auditor of Accounts. For more than twenty-three years he has discharged the duties of his office with painstaking care, thorough devotion and scrupulous fidelity. Identified as he has been, during his long and faithful service, with one of the most important branches of the Municipal Government, he has been valued by every official person with whom he has been connected as his sterling qualities deserved; and he has been recognized by the public as one whose presence in the public service was a guarantee of exactitude and uprightness. Resolved, That as a mark of their respect for the deceased, the City Council will attend his funeral in a body, and that the public offices of the City be closed at that time. Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to the family of the deceased. Read and passed unanimously. Sent down for concurrence. November 10. Came up concurred unanimously. Approved by the Mayor November 14. 1864.

Ordered: That the Committee on Accounts be requested to make such arrangements as

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may be necessary for the attendance of the City Council
at the funeral of Mr. England. Sent down for concurrence.
November 10. came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor
November 14. 1864.

Washington
Street.

Whereas, it appears to this Board
that a necessity exists for the construction of a Sewer, in Wash-
ington Street between Temple Place and Bedford Street, and
that public notice of such intention has been given, it is
hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Sewers be and he
is hereby directed to construct a Common Sewer in said Wash-
ington Street and to report a schedule of the expense thereof
to this Board, pursuant to law. Read twice and passed. Approv-
ed by the Mayor Nov. 10. 1864.

Boylston
Street.

Ordered: That the Superintend-
ent of Streets be authorized to pave with Trap Rock Blocks
or small granite blocks Boylston Street between Charles
and Church Street, and make such changes in the grade
of said street as he shall deem necessary, and remove
all such projections on the line of said street as he shall
deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said street
which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances
of the City. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor
November 10. 1864.

Spaulding

Ordered, That there be paid to
Solomon P. Spaulding the sum of one thousand four hun-
dred and thirty two dollars and nineteen cents, for land tak-
en to widen Congress Street, at the corner of High Street
upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an
acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses

in consequence of said taking, and that the same be charged 371
to the appropriation for laying out and widening said Road Nov. 9 1864
twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor November 10 1864

Ordered, That the Superin- Chapman
tendent of Streets be authorized to repair Chapman Place and
make such changes in the grade of said street as he shall
deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line
of said street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all op-
enings into said street which are not secured in accordance
with the Ordinances of the City. Read twice and passed. Ap-
proved by the Mayor Nov. 10 1864.

The Committee on Paving, on Metropolitan
the petition of the Metropolitan Railroad Company for extension
of tracks in this City, would report thereon, in part, an order of
location changing the track of the said Company from Port-
land Street to Merimac Street. For the Committee, L. M. H. H. H.
ish, Chairman. Ordered: That in addition to the rights hereto-
fore granted to the Metropolitan Railroad Company, to lay
down tracks in the City of Boston, the said Company shall
have the further right to lay down a single track in Mer-
rimac Street, between Portland Street and Haymarket Square,
with authority to connect said track with that of the Cam-
bridge Railroad Company in Portland Street, and that of
the Middlesex Railroad Company in Haymarket Square or
Sudbury Street. The right to lay down this additional track
is under the express proviso and condition that the location of
the said Metropolitan Railroad Company, granted to the Suf-
folk Railroad Company October 20, 1862, of a single track in

572 Portland Street, between Ludbury and Portland Street, shall

Nov. 9, 1864 be discontinued; that said Metropolitan Railroad company shall at their own expense take up said track in Portland Street, and shall repave the said street where the tracks shall have been so taken up, in a manner satisfactory to the Committee on Paving of the Board of Aldermen and the Superintendent of Streets. Also, under the further express proviso and condition, that the said Metropolitan Railroad company shall, at all times after the rails are laid down, keep in good order and complete repair the whole of the roadway or cartway of the street in which the track is located by this order, at their own expense, and to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Streets; and whenever the Board of Aldermen shall, from time to time, determine and order that said street through and in which the track is located by the terms and under the authority of this order, shall be repaved with what they shall deem to be the best of stone materials, the whole expense thereof shall be paid by said Metropolitan Railroad company; the work to be done by the Superintendent of Streets, under the authority of the Board of Aldermen. Also, under the further express proviso and condition, that the whole work of laying down the track granted by this order, and the precise location of the track to be laid down, and the form of rail to be used, shall be under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Committee on Paving and the Superintendent of Streets, and shall be approved by them. Also, under the further express proviso and condition, that the Board of Aldermen reserve the right to allow any other horse railroad company to run cars over the track located by the authority of this order.

for such compensation for the use of their trucks as may be agreed 573
upon by the respective companies; and in case of disagreement, Nov. 9. 1864
the compensation to be thus paid shall be determined according
to law. And under the further express proviso and condition, that
the said Metropolitan Railroad Company shall accept this
order of location, and agree to its several provisions and con-
ditions in writing within ten days from the date of its passage,
and shall file the same with the City Clerk; otherwise, it shall
be null and void. The roadway or highway mentioned in this
order is to include the whole of the space between the edge-
stones supporting the sidewalk on either side. Read once and
ordered to be printed. City Doc. 85.

The Special Committee, to
whom was referred the petition of M^r Hay and others, that
a night-boat be run to East Boston, have considered the
same, and respectfully report that they have conferred with
the President of the East Boston Ferry Company, and have re-
ceived from him the following letter: East Boston, Oct. 18. 1864. C^o
Vickers, Esq. Dear Sir: At the hearing of the petition of John M^r Hay
and others, that the City would cause a night-boat to be run
on the East Boston Ferry you requested me to state to you the
shortest time we could get up steam sufficient to transport en-
gines and men across the Ferry in case of fire. I have consult-
ed Mr. Brigham, the Superintendent of the Ferry, and he in-
forms me that he can, for the first two hours after the boats
are hauled off, have sufficient steam to cross in from fifteen to
twenty minutes; and, after that, in from twenty to twenty-five
minutes. I have directed him to keep the fire banked, and
crew ready, whenever the bells ring for fire, to go immediately

M^r Hay
Ferry
Night boat.

57th on board. He always has a watchman on board the boats,
Nov. 9. 1864 and when the bell rings he is ordered to fire up immediately. I am, with very great respect, yours, Samuel Hall, President
East Boston Ferry. We have communicated to the petitioners the
substance of this letter, and they have expressed themselves
as contented for the present with the arrangements proposed. In
the opinion of the Committee, therefore, no action is necessary
on the part of the Board of Aldermen. For the Committee. Otis
Scrifft, Chairman. Read and accepted

Gas The State 'inspector of gas' reported
on the quality of the Gas used in this City in the month of
October last. Read and placed on file

Library Aequally to assignment the
Board took from the table the report that it is inexpedient
to legislate on the proposition to open the Public Library on
Sundays and that the order suggesting such a measure be
indefinitely postponed. Read, accepted and said order was
indefinitely postponed

Mount Hope Cemetery The Committee on Ordinances sub-
mitted, as per City Doc 33, an Ordinance to amend the Ord-
inance in relation to Mount Hope Cemetery. Read twice and
tabled.

Votes Aldermen Dana and Warren
Committee were appointed a Committee to examine the return of votes
cast in the several Wards of this City for National, State and
County Officers on the eighth instant.

Leave was granted to Mr. 575.
Horn to exhibit some animals &c at N^o 89 1/2 Union Street, and
to William A. Carpenter to exhibit some Natural Curiosities
at N^o 116 Union Street. Carpenter.

The following persons were Second
licensed to deal in Second Hand Articles, Ficks and Loring at
109 Cambridge Street Ficks and Loring at 165 Fulton Street. Ficks

Adjourned to Friday next at twelve o'clock M.

At a meeting of the Board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on
Friday the Eleventh day of November Anno Domini 1864.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

On nomination by the Mayor Special
Theodore W. Fisher was appointed a Special Police Officer at the
Boston Lunatic Hospital. Office

The Committee appointed Votes
to examine the returns of votes cast in the several Wards of Report of
this city on the eighth instant for National State and County Committee
Officers have attended to that duty and Report: That the re-
turns appear to be properly made and the results ac-
curely recorded in the Book kept for that purpose - and they
recommend that the same be certified to the Secretary of the Com-
monwealth pursuant to law. It appears from said returns that
the following persons, having a plurality of votes have been Representative
duly chosen as Representatives to the next Legislature from the

576 City viz. District No 1. John W. Mahan, Charles F. Hornt. No 2. Richard Bucking, Frederick Rose, Charles P. McLean. No 3. John Quincy, Edward Wiley. No 4. Augustus C. Allen, John Brown. No 5. Henry Plumer, Horace H. Cortridge. No 6. George P. Briggs, David H. Cortridge. No 7. Daniel J. Hooper, James J. Flynn, No 8. David Thayer, A. H. W. Mail. No 9. Thomas Hill, William Carpenter. No 10. Hiram Kimball, Joseph T. Bailey. No 11. William Cumston, George P. Denny. No 12. Edwin Briggs, Henry Southwick, David C. Whiten. The Committee also report that James Rice having a plurality of votes has also been chosen Register of Deeds for this County for three years. They recommend that the foregoing Representatives and Register of Deeds be notified of their election by the City Clerk. C. F. Dana, Geo. W. Warren, Committee. Read and accepted.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on Monday the fourteenth day of November. Anno Domini, 1864.
Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Sprague and Stevens.

Alleyne

Petition of E. J. J. Alleyne for leave to exhibit Magical Entertainments at Williams Hall on the 24th 25th and 26th instant. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

And

Indigent

Females

Petition of Indigent Female Association for a lot in Mount Hope Cemetery. Referred to the Committee on Cemeteries.

Petition of Thomas P. Pulsifer 577
and others that Frenchman Street may be widened. Referred
to the Committee on Streets. Nov. 14/1867
Pulsifer

Petition of Superintendents
of Tins, Trucks, Hacks, and Wagon Drivers for increase of salary. Referred to the Committee on Police. Superintendent

On nomination by the Mayor,
John Bell was appointed and confirmed as a Special Police
Officer at the Spencer Repeating Rifle Company. Special
Police

On nomination by the Mayor,
Charles H. Chase, Henry A. Kildorell, George W. Rowe, Jr., Joseph
Hayward, were appointed and confirmed as Police Officers of
this City with all the powers of Constables except the power of
serving and executing civil process. Police

The Common Council having
passed an Ordinance concerning the Auditor of Accounts
whereby in cases of death, resignation or other causes the office
of Auditor becomes vacant the Mayor may appoint an Auditor
pro tem. Said action came up for concurrence. Read and
this Board concurred therein. Approved by the Mayor. Nov. 15/1867.
See ordinance in Book Kept for that purpose. Auditor
Ordinance

Ordered, That the Committee
on Ordinances consider and report whether any provision is
made in the City Charter and in the Ordinances for sudden
and unforeseen vacancies in the several departments of the
public service. In Common Council. Read and referred to the
City
Officers
vacancies

373 Committee on Ordinances came up for concurrence. Read and Nov. 14. 1864 concurred.

Auditor.

Ordered: That five members of

Com^{rs} on the Common Council with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Committee to nominate a candidate for City Auditor, and Messrs Bradley, Carpenter, Cumston, Wadsworth & Haynes were appointed on said Committee. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Torrey, Clapp and Nash were joined. Approved by the Mayor Nov. 15. 1864.

Auditor's
Salary.

Ordered: That the salary of the

late Estlin Copeland, City Auditor, be paid to the end of the current quarter. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor November 15. 1864.

City
Hospital

The Committee on Finance have

considered the communication from the Committee on Public Buildings asking an additional appropriation for completing the new City Hospital and have voted to recommend to the City Council the passage of the order annexed. J. W. Lincoln, Chairman. Ordered: That the Treasurer be hereby authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, the sum of thirty thousand dollars, and that the same be added to the appropriation for building the new City Hospital. Passed in Common Council. Yeas 39. Nays 1. Came up for concurrence.

Loan

Read and concurred. Yeas Aldermen Clapp, Dana, Torrey, Senio, March, Messenger, Nash, Torrey, Thendish & Warren 10 Nays none. Approved by the Mayor November 15. 1864.

Ordered, That the Committee

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on Ordinances be requested to inquire into the expediency of a more stringent law in regard to the right of way in our streets. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor November 15. 1864.

Nov. 14. 1864

Streets

right of way

Ordered: That Messrs Haynes

Mount Hope

Pulnam, and Yegin be a Committee with such as the Board of Aldermen may join to nominate Trustees for Mount Hope Cemetery. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

Cemetery

The Committee on Public Build-

Mayhew

ings who were directed to inquire into the expediency of purchasing a lot of land adjacent to the Mayhew School House, have attended to that duty and Report: That inasmuch as the lot of land in question can be purchased at a reasonable rate, and as it is very desirable that the yard of the Mayhew School House should be increased, the Committee on Public Buildings recommend the passage of the accompanying orders to the Committee, Daniel Lariss Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they are hereby authorized to purchase the lot of land belonging to Abigail C. Clark and adjoining the Mayhew School House, and containing about twenty four hundred and forty seven square feet, at a price not exceeding eighty-five hundred dollars: said land being purchased to be added to the yard of the Mayhew School House.

School house

Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he is authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, the sum of eighty-five hundred dollars, the same to be appropriated to the pur-

Loan

580 chose of additional land for the yard of the Mayhew School House.
Nov. 14, 1864. Read twice and passed. Cues: Aldermen Clapp, Dana, Davis,
Linn, Marsh, Merriman, Nash, Pierce, Sandish, Warren & Noyes none.
Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 1. Came up concurred. Yeas 39.
Nays none. Approved by Mayor Dec. 2, 1864.

City Clerk

Ordered: That there be allowed
and paid to the City Clerk the sum of One Hundred and
fifty dollars for extra clerk hire rendered necessary in prepa-
ration for the recent election. Read twice and passed. Sent
down for concurrence. Nov. 17. Came up concurred. Approved by
the Mayor November 18, 1864.

City
Hospital
appropriation

To the Honorable the City Coun-
cil: The Trustees of the City Hospital respectfully represent,
that in consequence of expenditures not contemplated when
the appropriation for the current expenses of the year was made,
we are now obliged to ask you to grant us the further sum
of fifteen thousand dollars. The unexpected number of ap-
plications for surgical and medical assistance and the
unusual number of accidents rendered it necessary to
increase the number of beds and attendants. Some chan-
ges in the construction of the interior of the building have
been found necessary for the comfort and health of the pa-
tients. These expenses, amounting to about ten thousand dol-
lars, together with the increased price of every article requir-
ed for use or consumption in the Hospital, compels us to make
this application. The average number of patients in the Hospi-
tal for the last month was about ninety; the present number
is one hundred and three. The total number admitted since
the opening in May last is three hundred and fifty. For the

Trustees. Olin Norcross, President. Read and referred to the 581.
Committee on the City Hospital. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 14. 1864.
Nov. 17. Came up concurred

On motion of Alderman Mount Hope
Norcross the Board took from the table the proposed ordinance Cemetery
to amend the ordinance relating to Mount Hope Cemetery
and thereupon said ordinance was recommitted to the Com-
mittee on Ordinances with instructions to revise the existing
ordinance on that subject and report the same in a new
draft. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 17. Came up concurred.

Applications from Elisha G. Auditt's
Cepeland, George H. Child and B. Frank Bul severity for the office
of Auditor of Accounts were referred to the Joint Spe-
cial Committee on that subject. Sent down for concurrence.
Nov. 17. Came up concurred.

Ordered: That the City Clerk Naturalized
be authorized to arrange in Alphabetical order & to print Citizens
for convenient reference the names of the naturalized voters
of this City who were recently added to the Ward Lists Ap-
proved by the Mayor Nov. 15. 1864.

The order granting a location Metropolitan
to the Metropolitan Rail Road in Merrimac Street to connect Railroad
with the Cambridge Rail Road in Portland Street and with Merrimac
the Middlesex Rail Road in Haymarket Square, was read Street
a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Novem-
ber 15. 1864.

Ordered: That the Superin- Scaven
tendent of Streets be and he is hereby directed to notify Street.

382 Abraham J. Jeff and Joseph G. Hamblin to erect fences upon
Nov 14 1864 the line of River Street and Boston in front of lots owned by
them adjoining the highway in accordance with the provisions
of Sec 9 of the Ordinance in relation to Streets passed April
28, 1863. the said River Street being dangerous without fences

Fifth

Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be and he is hereby directed to notify Daniel Linn, H. F. How's heirs, W. Cabot, G. Graper, J. Thatcher, L. Jay's heirs, Silsbee Phillips, J. W. Graper and L. Jay's heirs to erect fences upon the line of Fifth Street between I and K Streets, in front of lots owned by them adjoining the highway in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 9 of the Ordinance in relation to Streets passed April 28, 1863. the said Fifth Street being dangerous without fences.

Convention

Ordered: That a message be sent to the Common Council proposing a Convention of the two branches on Monday evening next at five o'clock for the purpose of fixing the salary of the Mayor in accordance with the provisions of Section 45 of the City Charter.

Mortgage

Ordered: That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to discharge the mortgage given to the City of Boston by Nathan Faynes dated Sept. 15, 1856 on a certain parcel of land in Fenwick, the note for which said mortgage was given and the interest thereon having been fully paid. Said mortgage is recorded with Middlesex South Deeds Lib. 805. Fol. 80.

On the petition of the Metro- 583

petitor Railroad company for leave to locate a curve track Nov. 14, 1864.
leading from their main tracks on Tremont Street in a north- Metropolitan
westerly direction to their land on Lenox Street - also, for a curve Railroad
track leading from their main tracks on Causeway Street in a
northwesterly direction into the Eastern Railroad company;
and it is Ordered: That the petitioners give fourteen days' notice
to the abutters on the streets above mentioned that this Board
will, on Monday, the fifth day of December next at ten o'clock
A.M. take into consideration the expediency of granting the
prayer of said petition, when any persons objecting thereto may
appear and be heard: said notice to be given by publication
of a copy of said petition and this order therein in all the daily
papers of this City.

This being the day assigned Old Colony
for the hearing of the petitioners, who desire that the Old Colony & Newport
and Newport Railroad Company should be required to main- Railroad
tain gates at the point where said railroad crosses Dorchester
Avenue, the subject was taken up by the Board, but on the sug-
gestion of Counsel employed in the case, the matter was con-
tinued to Nov. 28, at four o'clock, P.M.

Ordered: That the license Second Hand
granted to Isaac Abrams at 27 Salem Street to deal in Second articles
Hand Articles be revoked for cause. revoked

Ordered: That the Superin-
tendent of Streets be authorized to grade Fifth Street to its width be- Sixth
tween Dorchester Avenue and Bth Street. Read once Street

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

Nov. 21. 1864

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on Monday the twenty first day of November, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Briggs.

Morris

Petition of Morris, Brothers, Pell and Shawbridge for leave to set up a Lamp Post in the sidewalk of Washington Street opposite their Opera House Referred to the Committee on Paving & Lamps.

Manson

Petition of Manson and Peterson for leave to erect a Steam Engine near Decatur Street and between Liverpool and Border Streets. Referred to the Committee on Steam Engines.

Williams

Petition of Moses Williams and others for leave to place "boxing" under the street corner of Kilby and Water Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power.

Winthrop

Railroad

Petition of the Winthrop Railroad Company for a location in Chelsea, Meridian, Sarcloga & Border Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Sharp

Petition of John C. Sharp that a sewer may be laid in Chestnut Street below Charles Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Higgins

Petition of John Higgins for an abatement of his tax on estate 87-89 Cove Street for the year 1863. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department.

Petition of George W. Loud 585.

for abatement of tax on personal property assessed in 1864. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department. Nov. 21/1864
Loud

Petition of the Boston Dispensary Boston

for abatement of tax for the year 1864. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department. Dispensary

The Superintendent of Sewerage in Lehigh, West, Eighth, Fifth, Fourth & South, Dear Love Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewerage. Lehigh, West, Eighth, Fifth, Fourth & South, Dear Love Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewerage. Streets

On nomination by the Mayor Special Police
a Thomas J. Sayer was appointed a Special Police Officer for Police
Harbor Police Department; and E. P. Jones was appointed
a Special Police Officer for the Eastern Division of the Harbor
Works

Petition of Campbell and Campbell
Manders, who have been engaged in removing coal from
from Boston Harbor under Mr. Roschke's contract to be com-
pensated for the benefit done to the Harbor Authority. Referred
to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence.
Came up concurred.

Petition of Eleazer J. Pratt & Pratt.
others for use of some hall or room wherein to hold Sunday
Schools for the poor and destitute children in this city. Referred
to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for con-
currence. Came up concurred.

Nov. 21. 1864 North Street Mission
 sion for use of some hall or room, in which to hold meet-
 ings of the members of said Mission. Referred to the Com-
 mittee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. Came
 up concurred.

Salary
 Bill

Ordered; That the Salary Bill
 as voted by the City Council be printed for use of the City
 Government. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concur-
 red. Approved by the Mayor November 22. 1864.

City
 Physician

The City Physician submitted
 to the Board his report for the quarter ending September
 30. 1864. Read and sent down. In Common Council.
 Placed on file

Adams

The Committee on Claims, to
 whom was referred the petition of John D. Adams, to be com-
 pensated for damage done to his store on Boylston Street
 by reason of the fall of the Hindthrop House wall thereon, have
 considered the same and respectfully Report: That the
 actual cost of repairing Mr. Adams' buildings has been
 defrayed by the City. Mr. Adams, however, presents a claim
 for some collateral damages which, in the opinion of the
 Committee, the City is not liable for; and they therefore recom-
 mend that he there leave to withdraw. For the Committee,
 Elihu Sargent, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down
 for concurrence. Came up concurred.

City
 Hospital

The Committee on the City
 Hospital. to whom was referred a communication from

the Trustees of the Hospital, who on an additional appropriation have examined the matter and believing an additional appropriation to be required, they recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee Geo. W. Warren, Chairman. Ordered: That the Treasurer and he hereby is authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, the same to be added to the appropriation for the current expenses of the City Hospital. Read twice and passed. Voted. Aldermen Clapp, Dana, Davis, Denio, Huth, Messinger, Nash, Norcross, Standish, Warren 10. Nay, Alderman Stevens 1. (So said order was passed.) Sent down for concurrence. December 1. Came up concurred. Voted 34. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 2 1864

Ordered: That the thanks of the City Council be presented to the Rev. William C. Alger for the Oration delivered by him to the Municipal Authorities on the celebration of the Declaration of American Independence, July 4, 1857, and that he be requested to furnish a copy for publication. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, November 22 1864

Ordered: That the sum of one thousand dollars be paid to the City and County Treasurer to defray the expenses of extra clerk hire in his office and that the same be charged to the appropriation for salaries. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor November 22 1864

Ordered: That there be paid

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Widen

Federal

Street

to the use of John. Widen the sum of one thousand and twenty four dollars and seventy six cents for land taken to widen Federal Street, by a Resolve of the Board of Aldermen passed December 9. 1861. upon their giving to the City a Bond for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor. November 22. 1864. Reconsidered, see Dec 19. 1864, page 950

Sixth

Street

The order submitted to the Board at its last meeting for the Superintendent of Streets to grade Sixth Street between Dorchester Avenue and B. Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor November 22. 1864.

Suffolk

Railroad

The Committee on the Assessors'

Department to whom was referred the petition of the Suffolk Horse Railroad Company for abatement of their tax of 1863, have considered the same and respectfully Report: That the portion of their taxes of which the Suffolk Railroad Company complain is that assessed upon personal estate, or income, their ground being that the personal estate or income of the railroad being by law assessable to the stockholders of the corporation, a further assessment of the same property to the corporation itself was illegal. The Committee have advised with the City Solicitor, and he is clear in the opinion that the ground taken by the petitioners is correct. They therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For

the Committee, N. S. Stevens Chairman. Ordered: That the Trust- 589
ee be and he hereby is authorized to refund to the ^{City} ~~Trustee~~ Nov. 21. 1864
Horse Railroad Company the sum of one hundred and seven
ty seven dollars and sixty-six cents, the same being the
amount of tax assessed upon that company for their person-
al estate or income for the year 1863, with interest thereon to
the time of its payment. Read twice and passed. Approved
by the Mayor November 22^d 1864.

Ordered: That Otis Norcross, Suffolk
Chairman of the Board of Aldermen be and he is hereby Bank.
authorized to sign in behalf of this Board, who as Trustees
of the Smith Fund, are Stockholders in the Suffolk Bank, any
agreement which may be necessary to convert the Suffolk
Bank into a National Association under the National Bank
Act of 1864 and to do all other acts which may be necessary
to that end. Approved by the Mayor November 22. 1864.

The Common Council hav- Mayor's
ing signified by message its assent to the proposition of this salary
Board to form a convention of both branches of the City Coun-
cil at five o'clock, P.M. this day to determine the salary of
the Mayor for the next Municipal Year. The two branches assem-
bled.

In Convention.

Alderman Norcross
in the Chair. The business of the Convention having been stated,
Alderman Standen submitted the following order & it order-
ed by the Board of Aldermen and Common Council in Con-
vention assembled that the salary to be paid to the Mayor of
this city for the next Municipal Year and until otherwise de-

590 mined shall be at the rate of five thousand dollars per an-
Nov. 21, 1864. num, payable quarterly. The passage of the foregoing order having
been advocated by the mover and Messrs. Messinger, Nash
and Quincy, and opposed by Messrs. Buntin, Heves and Reed,
the latter gentleman demanded the Yeas and Nays on the pass-
age of the order which were taken as follows: Yeas Aldermen Clapp,
Dana, David, Lewis, North, Messinger, Nash, Forster, Sturges,
Hansen and Messrs. Adams, Allen, Boyce, Pauline, Coolidge, Crumston,
Fiske, Fitch, Gaffield, Gullickson, Hanch, Griffin, Hale, Haynes, Heves,
Hunt, Rice, J. H. Richardson, W. F. Richardson, Stebbins, Thomsen
and Woodbury. 32. Nays Alderman Stevens and Messrs Buntin,
Elliott, Heves, McLean, and Reed. 6. So said order was adopted
by the Convention. Approved by the Mayor November 22, 1864

The business of the Convention
having been accomplished the two Branches separated.

Constables'
bonds

The bonds of John B. Neale, and of
Phineas Bates, Constables, having been already approved by
the City Treasurer were also approved by the Board. Approved
by the Mayor November 21, 1864.

Union Park
Street

Whereas, in the opinion of the
Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require
that a portion of Union Park Street adjoining the estate of Thom-
as H. Dunham, should be discontinued as a public way, it is there-
fore hereby Ordered, that public notice be given that this Board in-
tend to discontinue the portion of the street before mentioned, as
a public highway, and that Monday, the fifth day of December
at four o'clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any

objections which may be made thereto.

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A notice was received of the acceptance by the Metropolitan Railroad Company of the location granted them in Marinus Street and Haymarket Square on the fifteenth of November instant. Said acceptance being dated on the 21st of November. Placed on file.

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Metropolitan
Railroad

Notice was received from the School Committee that vacancies existed in that body caused by the resignations of Francis Brown and Senza M. Lane of Ward 5 and Seth H. Gould of Ward 12. Read and placed on file.

School

Committee

The Committee on the Assessors' Department to whom was referred the petition of Rev. E. M. Wells and others that the taxes assessed upon St. Stephen's House in Purchase Street for the current year be abated, have considered the same and respectfully Report: That although St. Stephen's House is a most beneficent institution it is not yet incorporated, and the Board of Aldermen have no authority to abate the taxes assessed upon it. The Committee therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, N. A. Stevens, Chairman. Read and accepted.

St. Stephen's
House

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred the petition of William A. Rogers and others and also the petition of Franklin Arans and others, that Albany Street be constructed from Henry Street to Green Street Bridge, have considered the same and respectfully Report: That it is inexpedient to act upon this matter at the present time. For the Committee, Otis Norcross, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Rogers

Arans

Albany Street

Nov. 21. 1864
Simpson
Petitioner
That

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred the petition of M. A. Simpson and others that Petitioner Street may be widened, have considered the same and respectfully Report: That it is inexpedient to act thereon at present. For the Committee Otis Norcross, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Webster
Federal
Street.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred the petition of David L. Webster and others that Federal Street be widened between Williams and High Streets, have considered the same and respectfully report: that action thereon is at present inexpedient. For the Committee, Otis Norcross, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Warrants

Ordered: That Warrants be issued for meetings of the legal voters of this City in their respective Wards on Monday the twelfth day of December next, being the second Monday in said month, at nine o'clock, A. M. then and there to give in their ballots for a Mayor and twelve Aldermen all of whom to be inhabitants of this City. Also for a Warden, Clerk and Five Inspectors of Elections, Two members of the School Committee to hold office for three years and four members of the Common Council, in each Ward. Also for members of the School Committee to fill the following vacancies - Ward 2 one member in place of John W. Hinckley, resigned. Ward 5 - two members in place of Francis Brown and G. M. Kane, resigned. 4 one member in place of John S. Thompson resigned. 12 two members in place of J. S. Cardidge and Seth A. Brown, resigned. All the foregoing to be voted for on one ballot. The Polls to be kept open until four o'clock, P. M.

Ordered: That the license of Hack N^o 166 belonging to, Arin Gorte be and the same is hereby revoked.

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Such license
revoked.

Leave was granted to E. J. Mayne to exhibit, Magical Entertainment at Williams Hall November 24, 25, 26.

Mayne

Pawnbrokers' licenses were granted to Ephraim Lister at 5 Warren Square, and to David N. Howe at N^o 1 Warren Square.

Pawnbrokers

Ernestina Livingstone was licensed to sell in Second Hand Articles at 23 Cambridge Street.

Second hand
articles

Leave was granted to J. B. Lawrence to transfer to Abel J. Quincy the undivided half of the lease of Stall 7880 Quincy Hall Market.

Market.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on Wednesday the twenty third day of November Anno Domini, 1864.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Davies and Stevens.

On petition of John Burns for leave to have a Hack Stand in front of the Merchants National Bank, the Committee on Licenses reported favorably to

Burns

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594. withdraw. Read and accepted.

Health
committee.

Alderman Messinger submit-

ted to the Board the following order. Ordered: That leave be granted to the Committee on Internal Health to visit New York and Philadelphia for the purpose of inspecting the Street Sweeping Machines of those cities. Read twice and passed by the following vote. Ayes. Aldermen Clapp, Dana, Denio, Marsh, Messinger, Nash, Sprague, Trenchard and Warren 9. Nays. Alderman Torrey 1. So said Order was passed. Approved by the Mayor November 23. 1864.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock PM.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on Monday the twenty eighth day of November Anno Domini 1864.
Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Marsh, Messinger, Warren, Denio and Dana.

Juras

Four Grand and two Petit Juras were drawn for the United States District Court.

Street

Petition of James A. Savill for leave to suspend a recruiting flag across Eliot Street, at No 100. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Survey

Petition of Patrick Gully for leave to move a block of five wooden buildings from First Street through

N. Second, 3 and First Street to South St. Avenue. Referred 593
to the Committee on Paving with full power. Nov. 28. 1864

Petition of Dedham and West
Dedham
Dedham
Railroad Company for leave to run over the tracks of the
West
Metropolitan Railroad Company in Boston with steam
Railroad
power. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Harvey D. Parker
Parker
and others that School Street may be widened in front of City
School Street
Hall. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Thomas Keyes for
Keyes
a Sewer in Second Street between N. and L. streets. Referred
to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of Isaac Abrams to be
Abrams
re-licensed as a dealer in Second Hand Articles. Referred to the
Committee on Licenses.

Remonstrance of David Y. Lyon
Manson.
and others against the proposed erection of a Steam Flaming
Lyon.
Mill on Decatur and Border Streets. Referred to the Commit-
tee on Steam Engines.

Petition of Home for aged and
Home for aged
incurable Consumptives for a lot in Mount Hope Cemetery. Referred
Consumptives
to the Committee on Cemeteries.

Agreeably to the recommenda-
Fire
tion of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, the dis-
Department
charges of the King of Hose Company No. 2 and of the Pike
discharged
& Engine Company No. 3, were confirmed by the Board

Nov. 28. 1864 The Mayor, the admissions of Samuel L. Harrington into engine Company No 3, Hyatt into Fire Engine Company No 2 and Harley, A. Wilson and William Young into Hose Company No 3 were confirmed by the Board.

School

On nomination by the Mayor

Charles H. French, Amos P. Thacher, George F. Raymond, Charles B. Maxwell, John Bell, Nelson A. Waterhouse, L. M. Cussy, and George H. Johnson were appointed and confirmed as Vice Officers of this city with all the powers of Constables except the power of serving and executing civil process.

Special
Police

On nomination by the Mayor

Samuel Suggitt was appointed and confirmed as a Special Police Officer at the Northway Passenger Station

Letter
for
Special duty

Communication from the Mayor:

To the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston: I hereby nominate for your approval and confirmation, as police officers of this City the persons appointed Nov 5th 1864 as Special Police Officers and whose names are recorded on pages 562 and 563 of the records of the Board of Aldermen for 1864; said persons to have all the powers of Constables except the power of serving and executing civil process; said persons to constitute a reserve force and to be called into service at such times during the remainder of this Municipal Year as the Mayor may deem proper and necessary, and to be compensated for the occasions when they are thus specially employed. W^m Lincoln Mayor said said nomination were confirmed by the Board

Whereas, in the opinion of the

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Genchman

Street

Sampson.

O'Connell.

City

Exford.

Cary.

Mott.

Switzer.

Russell

Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the city require that Genchman Street should be widened, it is therefore hereby ordered, that due notice be given to the heirs of Stepheniah Sampson, Maurice O'Connell, the heirs of Luther Exford, Charles Exford, the heirs of Jonathan Cary, Rebecca Mott, Thomas A. Pulitzer, William A. Russell, and all other persons owning or having rights in the parcel of land hereinafter described, that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned by taking and laying out as a public street or way of the said city, the following described parcel of land bounded as follows, viz:— Northwestwardly by the proposed line of widening of said Genchman Street, three measuring two hundred and fifty seven feet and eight one hundredths of a foot; Northeastwardly by Commercial Street, seventeen feet and seventy three one hundredths of a foot; Southeastwardly by the present line of said Genchman Street one hundred and thirty feet and one hundredth of a foot; Southwestwardly by the same, six feet and two one hundredths of a foot; Southeastwardly by the same, forty six feet and two one hundredths of a foot; Northeastwardly by the same, four feet and thirty one one hundredths of a foot; Southwestwardly by the same, eighty three feet and twenty two one hundredths of a foot; and Southwardly by Charter Street, twenty feet and twenty seven one hundredths of a foot: containing four thousand four hundred and eleven square feet, more or less; the said land being shown on a plan made by A. Henry Bayl, City Engineer, dated November 21, 1864, and deposited in the office of the said City Engineer; and that Monday, the twelfth day of December next,

598 at four o'clock. It is assigned as the time for hearing any
Nov. 28. 1864 objections which may be made thereto.

Myrtle,
Washington
Streets.
Hanover Av.

The Superintendent of Sewers sub-
mitted to the Board schedules of estimates for construction of
sewers in Hanover Avenue, Myrtle Street, and Washington St.
Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Look

Petition of Coleman Look &
other citizens of Ward 2, that an Alarm Bell be located in the
vicinity of Central Square. Referred to the Committee on Fire
Alarms. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 1. Came up concurred.

Look

Petition of George M. Look for
leave to place a wooden building on his lot on South Bay
Lands. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Sent
down for concurrence. December 1. Came up concurred.

Library

Request of the Trustees of the
Public Library for an additional appropriation of two thous-
and dollars to meet the current expenses of that Institution.
Referred to the Committee on the Public Library. Sent down
for concurrence. December 1. Came up concurred.

Mahan.

The Committee on Claims, to
whom was referred the petition of Frederic W. Mahan to be com-
pensated for personal injuries sustained by him in consequence
of an alleged defect in the sidewalk at the corner of Merchile
and Prince Streets, have considered the same and respect-
fully recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

for the Committee. Est. Narciss, Chairman. Read and ac- 399
cepted. Sent down for concurrence. December 1. Came up con-
curred. Dec 28, 1864

The Committee appointed to Auditor
nominate a suitable person as candidate for Auditor of Ac-
counts, have considered the matter and respectfully recom-
mend the election of. H. H. Turner. for the Committee. Est.
Narciss, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concu-
rence. December 1. Came up concurred.

The Bond of James Rice, Register
Register of Deeds.
of Deeds.
bond.
Rejoice of Deeds within and for the County of Suffolk, was ap-
proved by the Board and Mr. Rice was duly sworn to the
faithful discharge of the duties of his said office, by Alderman
Narciss the Chairman of the Board.

Agreeably to assignment Old Colony
the Board took up the subject of the proposed construction
of gates across the Old Colony and Newport Railroad tracks
in Linchester Avenue, and by consent of the Council on both
sides the subject was continued to Monday next at four o'clock,
P.M. New Port R.R.
gates.

Agreeably to the reports of the Pawnbroker.
Committee on Licenses John Henchey was licensed as a
Pawnbroker at 120 Market Street, and licenses to deal in Second
Hand Articles were granted to John Hammond at 16 Mattle
Street and to Sarah Vinsky at 405 Hanover Street. Second Hand
dealers

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

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Dec. 5. 1864. At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on Monday the fifth day of December Anno Domini. 1864.

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Warren.

Leeds

Remonstrance of Samuel Leeds against the petition of Thomas Keys for a sewer in Second Street between K and L Streets. Referred to the committee on Sewers.

Capen

Petition of Thomas Capen's heirs for an abatement of tax on their estate in Sumner Street for 1864. Referred to the Committee on the Finance Department.

Adams

School Street. Petition of Paul Adams and others in aid of the petition of A. L. Parker and others for the widening of School Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Bronan

Petition of Patrick Bronan for a Hack Stand at 225 Federal Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Alger

Cyrus
Fourth Street. A notice of the claim of Otis Gray, trustee of Cyrus Alger, deceased, to a portion of the sidewalk on South Street near Brandy Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Sears

Thomas W.
Fourth Street. A notice of the claim of Charles Sears, trustee of Thomas W. Sears, deceased, to a portion of the sidewalk in front of his estate on South Street near Brandy Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

A notice of the claim of the heirs of Francis Alger to a portion of the sidewalk in front of their estate on Fourth Street, was referred to the Committee on Streets.

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Alger

Petition of J. B. Hebbins and others for the use of Faneuil Hall on December 21st for the purpose of a political meeting. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall.

Hebbins

Faneuil Hall

On nomination by the Mayor, Joseph Sanderson was appointed a Special Police Officer at the Boston and Worcester Railroad Passenger Station.

Special

Police.

On nomination by the Mayor, Erasmus B. Melcalf, Daniel W. Hepler, Marilla E. Nelson and Edwin M. Turner were appointed Police Officers of this City with all the powers of constables except the power of serving and executing civil process.

Police

No person appearing to object to the proposed discontinuance of a portion of Union Park Street adjacent to the estate of Thomas H. Dunham, said subject was referred to the Committee on Streets.

Union Park

Street.

Agreeably to notice the Board took up the subject of the location by the Metropolitan Railroad Company of curved tracks in Tremont Street near Dixey Street and in Conway Street near the Western Depot. No person appeared to object to said location. After an explanation by Mr. Derby of the desires of the Metropolitan Railroad in this location, said subject was committed to the Com^o on Surveying.

Metropolitan

Railroad

Dec. 5 1864

Bellamy

Old Colony

Railroad

gate

Agreeably to notice the Board took up the subject of the petition of Albert Bellamy and others that the Old Colony Railroad Company may be compelled to erect gates across Dorchester Avenue at the crossing of said road. J. P. Wheeler Esq appeared for the petitioners & C. F. Choate Esq for the Railroad Company. After hearing testimony upon the subject and the remarks of the Counsel, the Board voted to refer the subject to the Committee on Paving.

Loring

Eastern

Avenue

Petition of Harrison Loring and others that the City would petition the Legislature for extension of time in which to construct the Eastern Avenue to Ward XII. Referred to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. December 8. Came up concurred.

Superintendents

Salaries

Ordered: That from and after Oct. 1. 1864, and until otherwise ordered, the salaries of the Superintendent of Hacks and Carriages, the Superintendent of Trucks and Wagons, the Superintendent of Pawnbrokers, and the officers of the Lock-ups under the Court House, shall be at the rate of three dollars each, per day. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. December 15. Came up concurred. Approved by Mayor Dec. 16. 1864.

Whittier

Ordered: That there be paid to Seth Whittier fifteen hundred dollars, upon his giving to the City a discharge, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, of all damages heretofore sustained by him by reason of the spreading of the northward wall of the South Street Bridge, and also of all damages which shall accrue to the wharf and dock

next northerly of said bridge on account of the present con- 603
dition of said wall until the first day of April in the year Dec. 5. 1864
one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, and upon
not giving permission to the city to drive piles in said dock to
prevent the further spreading of said wall, and that the same
be charged to the appropriation for incidental expenses. Read
twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. December 8.
Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 9. 1864.

A copy of a proposed petition Foster
to the Legislature of John Foster and others for incorporation Fort Hill
as the "Fort Hill corporation" for the purpose of reducing the Corporation
grade of Fort Hill, was read and thereupon it was Order-
ed that the City Council waive the right to a longer notice
of said petition, and that the subject be referred to the City
Solicitor to see that the rights and interests of the City in the
subject are fully protected. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 8.
Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor December 9. 1864.

The Common Council having Auditor
elected Alfred J. Turner as Auditor of Accounts in place of
Elisha Copeland deceased, said action came up for concur-
rence and the ballots having been taken and counted for
said Auditor, it appeared that Alfred J. Turner was chosen
in concurrence.

Ordered: That the following Bills
bills, for services rendered or materials furnished by persons
connected directly or indirectly with the City Government, be
paid, provided they are approved and allowed in the usual

604 manna viz Sumner Crosby four hundred and three dollars
Dec. 5/1864 and nine cents, nine hundred and thirty dollars and eighty
six cents; eighteen dollars and fifty four cents. John S. Samrell,
three hundred and seventy three dollars and eight cents.
A. W. Pratt, one hundred and seventy four dollars. Granville
Hart twenty one dollars and fifty cents. William Carpenter ten
dollars. Bickus and Bancroft twenty four dollars. Read in
Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and con-
curred. Approved by the Mayor December 6. 1864.

Library

The Trustees of the Public Library
submitted their Twelfth Annual Report of the condition of
the Public Library. Read, laid on the table and one thous-
and copies ordered to be printed.

Militia
Bounty

Ordered: That the Treasurer be
and he is hereby authorized to pay to each and every mem-
ber borne on the Rolls of the Volunteer Militia as entitled to the
Bounty allowed by law for the performance of Military duty the
sums set to their respective names amounting in the aggre-
gate to one thousand and twenty seven dollars and fifty cents:
to be charged to the appropriation for Militia Bounty. Read twice
and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 8. 1864.

Hussey.
Dorchester
Sheet

Ordered: That there be paid
to Robert Hussey the sum of one hundred and sixty six dol-
lars and sixty seven cents for land taken to widen Dorchester
Sheet, by a resolve of the Board of Aldermen, December 4. 1862,
upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an
acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and ex-

penes in consequence of said taking; and that the same 603
be changed to the appropriation for Unimproved Land, for Dec. 5. 1864.
laying out and widening Street. Read twice and passed.
Approved by the Mayor Dec. 6. 1864.

Resolved, That the safety Union Park
and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that Street.
a portion of Union Park Street should be discontinued as a
public street or way of the said City, adjoining the estate of
Thomas A. Dunham bounded as follows; viz: Northeastwardly
by the proposed line of discontinuance of said Union Park
Street being the former line of said Street, there measuring
one hundred and twenty two feet and $\frac{33}{100}$; Southeastwardly
by Harrison Avenue six feet and $\frac{45}{100}$; Southwardly
by the southerly line of said Union Park Street as es-
tablished by a Resolve passed December 28th 1863 one hundred
and nineteen feet and $\frac{93}{100}$; and Northwestwardly by land
now a lot of Francis Mace and others, six feet containing
seven hundred and twenty six square feet and $\frac{8}{10}$, more
or less. And whereas, due notice has been given of the in-
tention of this Board to discontinue the said portion of Union
Park Street, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It
is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be,
and the same hereby is, discontinued as a public street or way
of the said City according to a plan of the same made by
N. Henry Crafts, City Engineer, dated November 28th 1864, and de-
posited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this
Board doth adjudge that the expense of the said discontinu-
ance, as aforesaid, will amount to nothing. Read twice and
passed. Approved by the Mayor December 6. 1864.

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Morris

and having reported that leave be granted to Morris, Pell and Thowbridge to erect a lamp post in Washington Street in front of their Farm House provided it be done in a manner satisfactory to the Superintendent of Street. Accepted.

Manson

On the petition of Manson &

Peterson for leave to run a Steam Engine and erect a Planing Mill at East Boston between Liverpool and Border Streets and near Decatur Street it was Ordered: That fourteen days' notice be given by the petitioners to all parties interested, that this Board will, on Monday the nineteenth day of December at four o'clock P.M. take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the above petition, when any parties, who object thereto, may appear and be heard. Said notice is to be given by publication of a copy of said petition and this order thereon in the Boston Daily Advertiser.

Loud

The Committee on the Assessors'

Department to whom was referred the petition of George W. Loud for abatement of tax on his estate, report that the petitioner should make application to the Assessors and that he have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Boston

The Committee on the Assessors'

Dispensary

Department to whom was referred the petition of the Boston Dispensary for abatement of tax for the year 1864, report that the petitioners should make application to the Assessors and that they have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

The Committee on the Assessors 607

Department to whom was referred the petition of Jas Clark Dec. 3. 1864
for abatement of tax assessed in 1864, report that the petitioner Clark
should make application to the Assessors, and that he have
leave to withdraw. Read & accepted.

The Committee on the As- Higgins

sessors' Department to whom was referred the petition of
John Higgins for abatement of tax assessed for the year 1863
report that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and
accepted.

The Committee on the Fire Fire

Department to whom was referred the recommendation of Fire
the Board of Engineers that Jos Cummings be discharged
from Steam Fire Engine Company No. 1, for insubordination report
ed that said recommendation should be adopted. Read and
accepted.

Ordered: That the license here Second hand
before granted to Joseph Parks to deal in Second Hand Articles
at 128 Essex Street be revoked for cause. Articles

The State Inspector of Gas Gas
submitted to the Board his report on the quality of the Gas
consumed in the City of New York during the month of November.
Placed on file

On petition of James H. Savill Savill
for leave to suspend a recruiting flag across Wall Street, the Com
mittee on Paving & reported leave to withdraw. Read and ac
cepted.

Leave was granted to Chase & Chase
Newcomb to exhibit a moving Panorama at Williams Hall this week.

Dec. 5, 1864.
Intelligence
Office.

Leave was granted to Merrick and Wells to keep an Intelligence Office at N^o 289 Washington Street.

Burns

See page 593.

Second hand
articles

The Committee on Finance having reviewed the case of John Burns, petitioner for a Hack Stand in State Street opposite the Merchants National Bank, report in favor of granting the prayer of said petitioner. Read and accepted.

Leave was granted to Julius

Marshauer to deal in Second Hand Articles at 227 Hanover Street and to Julius Marshauer to deal in said articles at 66 Salem Street, on the usual conditions.

Beacon
Street.

The Committee on Pav-

ing having had under consideration the condition of the macadamized roadway of Beacon Street between Charles & Arlington Streets, would report that in their opinion it would be a great saving of expense and at the same time make it a better roadway to travel over in every respect to have it paved with "Trip Rock Blocks" or small sized granite blocks. They would therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order which will allow of favorable contracts being made for materials for the opening of the paving season of 1865. Respectfully submitted to the Committee E. H. Finch, Chairman. I would that the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave Beacon Street between Charles and Arlington Street in conformity with the established grade and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City.

and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owners or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost Sixteen Thousand Dollars. Read once. 609. Sec. 5 1863

The Committee on the As- American
sessors' Department to whom was referred the petition of the Home
American Home Education Society for abatement of taxes for the Education
year 1863, have considered the same and respectfully Re- Society
port: That this Society is an incorporated charitable associa-
tion, which on the first day of May 1863, and for some time Ladies Am.
after, occupied and used Houses N^o 23. and N^o 25, Albany Street,
for its own purposes. The Committee are therefore of the opinion
that the taxes should be abated, and respectfully recom-
mend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Commit-
tee, H. A. Stevens, Chairman. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and
he hereby is authorized to refund to the Treas^r of Samuel Gil-
bert the sum of fifty one dollars and seventy-five cents, the
same being the amount of tax assessed for the year 1863 upon
house N^o 25 Albany Street, occupied by the Ladies American
Home Education Society. Read once.

The Committee on the As- Boston Society
sessors' Department, to whom was referred the petition of the for Prevention
Boston Society for the Prevention of Pauperism for abatement of
of taxes, have considered the same and respectfully Report. Pauperism
That the petitioning Society is a regularly incorporated and
highly useful benevolent organization, which would be exempt
from taxation if it occupied premises of its own; but it now pays
rent for rooms under the Broadway Square Church. In the opinion
of the Committee the peculiar circumstances of the case bring it

610 within the spirit, if not within the exact letter, of the law, and
Dec. 5. 1864 they therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying
Order. For the Committee, H. A. Stevens, Chairman. Ordered: That
the Assessors be and they hereby are authorized to abate from
the taxes assessed upon the Proprietors of the Bowdoin Square
Church for the current year, the sum of fifty dollars and sev-
only eight cents, the same being the amount of tax assessed
upon the room occupied by the Boston Society for the Prevention
of Pauperism. Read once.

South
Burial Ground. Ordered: That the Mayor be
and he is hereby authorized to convey to George H. Davis a certain
parcel of land on the northeastern part of the South Burial
Ground, bounded and described as follows, viz: Beginning at
Davis. a point on the northeastern side of James Street, distant only
four feet, southwestwardly from the westerly corner of James and
Norton Street; thence running southwardly bounded by
said James Street twenty-six feet; thence northwestwardly par-
allel to said Norton Street two hundred and ninety five feet
and ten inches; thence northeastwardly parallel to Washington
Street and distant ten feet and six inches therefrom, fifteen
feet and six inches; thence southwardly parallel to said
Norton Street one hundred and eighty five feet and eight
inches; thence northeastwardly at right angles to the last de-
scribed line, ten feet and six inches; and thence southward-
ly parallel to said Norton Street, one hundred and ten
feet and three inches to the point of beginning: containing five
thousand seven hundred and forty three and two thirds square
feet, more or less, and also to release to said Davis all the right
title and interest which the City have in and to another parcel

of land, adjoining the above described parcel, and bounded 611.
and described as follows, viz: Beginning at a point on the north Dec. 5. 1864.
easterly side of Washington Street distant sixty feet and
one inch southeasterly from the southeasterly corner of Washing-
ton and Newton Streets thence running southeasterly bound-
ed by Washington Street twenty six feet, thence southeasterly
by parallel to said Newton Street, ten feet and six inches; thence
northeasterly parallel to Washington Street fifteen feet and six
inches; thence southeasterly again parallel to Newton Street, one
hundred and eighty five feet and eight inches; thence north-
easterly at right angles to the last described line ten
feet and six inches; and thence northwesterly parallel
to said Newton Street one hundred and ninety six feet and
two and one half inches to the point of beginning: containing
two thousand two hundred and twenty two and three quar-
ters square feet, more or less, upon payment by the said City
to the City therefor, of the sum of five thousand seven hun-
dred and forty three dollars and sixty seven cents, and also
one half of the expense of building a new wall upon the south-
westerly line of the first mentioned parcel of land according
to a plan and specification thereof, made by A. Henry Crafts,
City Engineer, dated December 5th 1864, and allowing all the
materials now on the parcel of land first above described,
so far as they are suitable for the purpose to be used in the
construction of said wall. Read once

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave with round or cobble
stone Chestnut Street between Charles and Messinger Streets

612 also Messinger Street, in conformity with the established grade,
Dec. 5. 1864 and remove all such projections on the line of said Street
as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into
said Street not secured in accordance with the Ordinances
of the City, and those which are so much out of repair as to
be liable to become dangerous, and which the owners or oc-
cupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect.
Estimated cost forty three hundred dollars. Read once.

Metropolitan
Railroad

Ordered, That in addition
to the rights heretofore granted to the Metropolitan Railroad Com-
pany, to lay down tracks in several of the streets of the city
of Boston, the said company shall have the further right
to lay down single or double tracks, with necessary connect-
ion with the present track of said Company, in Dorchester Av-
enue, in South Street from Dorchester Avenue to Lever Street
Bridge, across said Dover Street Bridge, with authority to con-
nect with the track of said Metropolitan Railroad Company
in Dover Street and to lay down a curve track at the north-
westerly corner of Huntington and Dover Street. Also, an ad-
ditional track in Federal Street between Beach and Summer
Streets thence a single track in Summer Street to the open space
in front of the church at the intersection of Bedford and
Summer Streets, with suitable turnouts in said open space,
and at the foot of Summer Street. Also, a curved track from
the tracks of said Metropolitan Railroad Company as now
laid down in Washington Street, near the Roxbury line, to enter
the car-house of said Company. Also authority to connect the
tracks of said Metropolitan Railroad Company now down in

ordinance with those of the Cambridge Railroad Company 613
is also done in said square. ^{A.} The right to lay down the addi- Sec. 5 1861
tional tracks authorized by this order of location is under the ex-
press proviso and condition, that the said Metropolitan Rail-
road Company agrees that the Broadway Railroad Company shall
^{B.} be allowed to enter upon and use with their horses and cars
the tracks of said Metropolitan Railroad Company, in Dorches-
ter Avenue, between Fourth Street and Broadway, for such com-
pensation to be paid to said Metropolitan Railroad Company by
said Broadway Railroad Company as shall be determined
according to law. Also, under the further express proviso and con-
dition that the location of said Metropolitan Railroad Company
(formerly that of the Dorchester Railway Company), in Broad Street,
between Summer and State Street, is hereby discontinued; that
said Metropolitan Railroad Company shall, after the track or
tracks are laid down in Fourth Street and across Dover Street
Bridge, or after the tracks are laid down in Federal Street
and Summer Street, at their own expense, take up the track
and turnouts in said Broad Street, and shall repave the
said street where the track and turnouts shall have been
so taken up in a manner satisfactory to the Committee on
Paving of the Board of Aldermen, and the Superintendent
of Streets. ^{C.} And under the further express proviso and condition,
that the cars run over Dover Street Bridge shall be those
only which are run exclusively from Dorchester; and these
shall be run as follows, viz: Pass into the city proper through
Fourth Street, over Dover Street Bridge, through Lever Street to
Washington Street, through Washington Street to Boylston Street,
Boylston Street to Tremont Street, Tremont Street to Cornhill, &c.

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Dec. 5. 1864. bill to Washington Street; the passage cut to be through Washing-
ton Street to City Street, City Street to Garrison Avenue, Garrison
Avenue to Beach Street, Beach Street over track of the Broadway
Railroad Company to Federal Street, Federal Street to Federal
Street Bridge, over Federal Street Bridge, through Dorchester Avenue
to Dorchester Street, under the further express proviso and condition,
that the said Metropolitan Railroad Company shall at all
times after the rails are laid down, keep in good order and
complete repair the whole of the roadway or cartway of Fourth
Street, over Street Bridge, Federal Street, and Summer Street,
in which the tracks are located by this order, at their own
expense, and to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Streets;
and whenever the Board of Aldermen shall, from time to
time, determine and order that said street and bridge through
and in which the tracks are located by the terms and under
the authority of this order, shall be repaired with what they
shall deem to be the best of stone materials, the whole expense
thereof shall be paid by said Metropolitan Railroad Company;
the work to be done to the Superintendent of Streets under the au-
thority of the Board of Aldermen. And under the further express
proviso and condition, that the whole work of laying down the
track granted by this order, and the precise location of the
track to be laid down, and the form of rail to be used, shall
be under the direction and to the satisfaction of the commit-
tee on paving of the Board of Aldermen, and the Superin-
tendent of Streets, and shall be approved by them. And that
in the construction of said track granite blocks of such size
as the Superintendent of Streets shall direct, shall be laid down
inside and outside of each rail. And under the further express

proviso and condition, that the Board of Aldermen reserve 613.
the right to allow any other horse railroad company to run Dec. 5. 1861.
cars over the track located by the authority of this order,
for such compensation for the use of their track as may be
agreed upon by the respective companies; and in case of dis-
agreement, the compensation to be thus paid shall be deter-
mined according to law. Also, under the further express proviso and
condition that the said Metropolitan Railroad Company shall
accept this order of location, and agree to its several provis-
ions and conditions in writing within ten days from the date
of its passage, and shall file the same with the City Clerk;
otherwise it shall be null and void. The roadway or cartway
mentioned in this order is to include the whole of the space
between the edge-stones supporting the sidewalk on either side.
Laid on the table and ordered to be printed. (City Document 89)

Ordered: That in addition Broadway
to the right heretofore granted to the Broadway Railroad
company to lay down tracks in several of the streets of the City
of Boston, the said company shall have the further right to
construct a single track in N Street, at a suitable point of
connection near Fourth Street, with their present track in said
N Street; thence a single track in N Street to Fifth Street, thence
in Eighth Street to Dorchester Street, thence across Dorchester
Street to Goddard Street, thence in Goddard Street to E Street,
thence in E Street to Fifth Street, thence in Fifth Street to
Fourth Street, and in Fourth Street with single or
double tracks to suitable points of connection with the tracks
of the Metropolitan Railroad company in Dorchester Avenue;

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Dec. 5. 1864 also from suitable points of connection with the above location at or near the intersection of D and Fifth Streets, a single track in D Street to Broadway and in Broadway by suitable curves to connect with present tracks therein, with suitable turnouts at such points on said route, as above described, as the Committee on Paving, of the Board of Aldermen and the Superintendent of Streets, shall determine and approve. The right to lay down the additional tracks authorized by this order of location is under the express proviso and condition that the said Metropolitan Railroad Company agrees that the Metropolitan Railroad Company shall be allowed to enter upon and use with the cars and cars run by said Company exclusively from Rochester, the portion of the tracks of said Broadway Railroad Company in D and E Streets, on the outward trips of said cars, for such compensation to be paid to said Broadway Railroad Company by said Metropolitan Railroad Company as shall be determined according to law. And, under the further express proviso and condition that said Broadway Railroad Company shall, at all times after the rails are laid down, keep in good order and complete repair at their own expense, the roadway or cartway in which tracks shall be laid under authority of this order of location, to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Streets. And whenever the Board of Aldermen shall from time to time determine and order that the roadway or any portion thereof in which the tracks are located under authority of this order of location, as above described, shall be paved or repaired with sand or cobble stone, the whole expense of such paving or repairing shall be paid by the Broadway

Railroad Company, the work to be done by the Superintendent 617
of Streets, under authority of the Board of Aldermen. No. Dec. 5. 1864
under the further express proviso and condition, that the whole
work of laying down the track granted by this order, and
the precise location of the track to be laid down, and the
form of rail to be used, shall be under the direction and to
the satisfaction of the Committee on Paving and the Super-
intendent of Streets, and shall be approved by them. Also,
that in the construction of said track granite blocks of such
size as the Superintendent of Streets shall direct, shall be
laid down inside and outside of each rail. And under the
further express proviso and condition, that the said Broadway
Railroad Company shall accept this order of location, and
agree to its several provisions and conditions in writing within
ten days from the date of its passage, and shall file the
same with the City Clerk; otherwise, it shall be null & void.
The roadway or cartway mentioned in this order is to include
the whole of the space between the edge-stones supporting the
sidewalk on either side. Laid on the table and ordered to be
printed.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

618.

Dec. 12, 1864

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on Monday the twelfth day of December, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Nancrede

Petition of Thomas D.

Nancrede, trustee, to be paid for land taken from the Nancrede estate in 1855 to widen Court Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Boston

Petition of the Boston Dispensary

that the tax assessed on their real estate in 1863 may be abated. Referred to the Committee on Assessors' Department.

Police

On nomination by the

Officers

Mayor, Frank J. Whittier, Sylvester W. Robinson, Moses P. Brown, William C. Reynolds and Joseph Savill were appointed and confirmed as Police Officers of this city with all the powers of Constables except the power of serving and executing civil process.

Streets

A communication was re-

ceived from Alfred T. Turner resigning his office as Superintendent of Streets in Common Council. Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Streets

Ordered: That Messrs Steb-

bins, Fitch and Wadsworth with such as the Board of Alder-

men may join be a Committee to nominate a candidate for the office of Superintendent of Streets. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

men may join be a Committee to nominate a candidate for the office of Superintendent of Streets. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Members Standish and Marsh were joined. Reported by
the Mayor, December 13, 1864.

Dec. 12, 1864.

Application of Charles Harris
for office of Superintendent of Streets and petition of Ray N.
Chandler and others in aid of the same. Referred in Com-
mon Council to the above Committee. Came up for concur-
rence. Read and concurred.

Harris

The Committee on the Public
Library, to whom was referred a communication from the
Trustees of the Library asking an additional appropriation
of two thousand dollars, have considered the same, and,
being fully satisfied that the request should be granted,
respectfully recommend the passage of the accompanying
order. For the Committee, C. F. Dana Chairman per M. Culbert.
That the sum of two thousand dollars be added to the ap-
propriation for the Public Library, for the current financial
year, and that the Committee on Finance be requested to pro-
vide the means. Passed in Common Council. Came up for con-
currence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, De-
cember 13, 1864.

Library

Ordered: That the Committee
on Public Buildings consider the expediency of providing
other suitable accommodations for Hose Company No. 1. In
Common Council. Referred to the Committee on Public Build-
ings. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Hose Co.

No. 1.

Ordered: That the Cochituate
Water Board be and they hereby are authorized to purchase
such land as they may deem expedient and necessary for

Water

Board

620 the location of a new Reservoir on the line of the Aqueduct;
Dec. 12. 1864 at a cost not exceeding fifty thousand dollars. Ordered: That
the Treasurer be and he is authorized to borrow, under
the direction of the Committee on Finance, the sum of fifty
thousand dollars, the same to be appropriated to the pur-
chase of land, by the Board of Public Works, for a new Reser-
voir. Passed in Common Council. Yeas 37. Nays 1. Brought up for
concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas 41. Nays 0. Clapp,
Dana, Davies, Denio, Marsh, Messinger, Nash, Norcross, Sprague,
Hendlish, Stevens, Warren 12. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor
December 13. 1864.

Engine House
at
East Boston

The Committee on Public Buildings
who were directed to procure plans and estimates for a
building to be erected in East Boston to accommodate a Steam
Fire Engine and a Hook and Ladder Carriage have at-
tended to that duty and Report: That they have the offer
of three different lots of land in the central part of East
Boston which are each suitable for the purpose desired
and the Committee have procured estimates for the construc-
tion of a two story brick building to accommodate a Steam
Fire Engine and a Hook and Ladder Carriage, and they
report that the whole expense for land and building will
amount to fourteen thousand dollars. They accordingly re-
commend the passage of the following orders for the Commit-
tee. Daniel Davies, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee
on Public Buildings be authorized to procure a suitable
lot of land at East Boston in some central location and
to erect thereon a suitable brick building for the accommo-
dation of a Steam Fire Engine and a Hook and Ladder

carriage, at an expense not exceeding fourteen thousand 621.
Ordinance: That the Mayor be and he is hereby au Dec. 12/1864
thorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee
on Finance, the sum of fourteen thousand dollars. the Loan.
to be appropriated for the purpose of the purchase of land
at East Boston and the erection thereon of a suitable Steam
Fire Engine House. Passed in Common Council. Yeas, 38. Nays,
none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas,
Aldermen Clapp, Davies, Denio, Marsh, Messinger, Nash, Norcross,
Standish, Stevens, Sprague, Warren 11. Nays none. Absent Alder-
man Dana. Approved by the Mayor December 14, 1864.

The Board of Overseers of Overseers
the Poor submitted to the Board the following resolve: of Poor
Resolved: That the City Council be respectfully requested and Relief
recommended to take into early consideration the expedi- Building
ency of preliminary measures for providing the building for
relief of the poor proposed in our plan of organization and that
the President of the Board transmit this resolution and re-
port to the City Council. Read and referred to the next City
Council. Sent down for concurrence. (See page 643)

Communication from the Auditor
Mayor. To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Boston. Auditor
In accordance with a late amendment to the Ordinance in
relation to the Auditor's Department, a vacancy existing
in the office, I appointed on the 15th of November, Eliza S. Love-
land, Auditor pro tem, to serve until the election of a permanent
officer. The office having been filled by the election of the 1st of

Dec. 12 1866 Turner who has signified his intention to assume its duties on Tuesday next, the 13th instant I have notified Mr. Copeland that his functions as Auditor pro tem, will cease at that date. J. W. Lincoln, Jr. Mayor. Read and sent down. In Common Council Placed on file.

Hook

The Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of George M. Hook, that he may be allowed the privilege of placing a wooden building upon the lot of land as deeded to him by the city on Franklin Avenue corner of Ruyter Street, having duly considered the same would submit the following Report: The Committee find upon examination that the land was deeded to by the City upon condition that no wooden building should be erected or placed upon the same, they therefore recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, G. W. Messinger, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 15. Came up concurred.

Evans

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of William Evans to be paid his bill of repairs on the Evans House, have considered the same and respectfully Report: That they have given the subject consideration, examined the report of the Building Committee of 1865, and given Mr. Evans a hearing. The memorandum presented to the Committee by Mr. Evans was as follows: Interest on \$5,500 from May 1. 1861 to 1. 1863 \$ 1375.00

Bill of J. Richards for painting, glazing &c. 1417.93

Bill of J. Campbell for repairing furnace 175.68

Gas bill

19.80
Total \$ 2988.41

The committee were unanimously of the opinion that the 623
Building Committee of 1865 made Mr. Evans a most liberal Dec. 12, 1864
proposition and voted that the Chairman be authorized to
accept the proposition, viz: that if agreeable to Mr. Evans, the
committee would recommend to the City Government to grant
him (\$1000) one thousand dollars. Mr. Evans has declined this
offer, but proposed to withdraw the items of Interest and Gas
from his memorandum if the committee would recom-
mend the payment of the balance. The committee are at a
loss to understand upon what principle Mr. Evans builds in
the demand upon the City Treasury, when at the same time
he acknowledges that whatever may be given him will be
entirely gratuitous. Satisfied that the amount proposed was suf-
ficient to repair his house and make it in all respects as good
as when received from Mr. Evans, the committee recommend
that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee,
Otis Norcross, Chairman. Read and accepted Sent down for
concurrence Dec. 15. Came up concurred.

The Committee on the Thunders
Harbor to whom was referred the petition of Campbell and
Thunders to be compensated for the removal of Coal Tar from
the Harbor have considered the subject and report that under
the Statutes of this Commonwealth the claim of the petitioners
should be addressed to the Commonwealth instead of the City,
and that therefore the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For
the Committee, H. A. Stern, Chairman. Read and accepted.
Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 15. Came up concurred.

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 Mayor
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Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they hereby are authorized to procure and report plan and estimate for a new Engine house for Steam Fire Engine. &c. &c. Read twice and passed. Put down for concurrence December 15. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor December 17th 1864.

Department
 South Bay
 Land

Ordered: That such portions of the reserved lot of land lying east of Albany Street and between Houghton Street and Roxbury line as are shown upon a plan drawn by N. Henry Craft City Engineer and bearing date December 12th 1864, be and the same are hereby set apart for the use of the Sewer Department, the Cochituate Water Board, and the City Hospital, the remainder to be held for such other purpose as may hereafter be required by the City. Read twice and passed. Put down for concurrence December 15. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor December 16 1864.

Ladies
 Am. Home
 Education
 Society

The report and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Treasurer to refund to the heirs of Samuel Gilbert the sum of fifty one dollars and seventy five cents being the amount of tax assessed upon estate 25 Albany Street occupied by the Ladies American Home Education Society, were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 13. 1864.

Boston Society
 for Prevention
 of
 Intemperance

The report and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the abatement from the tax assessed this year upon the proprietors of the Dorchester Square Church, of the sum of fifty dollars and seventy eight cents for the room occupied by the Society for the Prevention

of Pauperism, were read a second time and passed. Appro- 623
ved by the Mayor December 1st 1864.

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Ordered: That there be paid
to James Marshall the sum of six hundred dollars in full
compensation for any and all claims for damages done to
his estate and buildings thereon on Brookline Street, caused
by a change of grade thereof upon his proving his title to the
same to the satisfaction of the City Council and upon his
giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all dam-
ages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of
grade of Brookline Street; and that the same be charged to
the appropriation for Paving. Read twice and passed. Appro-
ved by the Mayor December 13. 1864.

Marshall
to pay

Ordered: That the City Treas-
urer abate the sidewalk assessment against the estate of
James Marshall on Brookline Street, amounting to forty one
dollars and eighty nine cents. Read twice and passed. Appro-
ved by the Mayor Dec. 13. 1864.

Marshall
statement

The order submitted to the
Board at its last meeting for the Superintendent of Streets
to pave Chestnut Street below Charles Street also Messinger
Street with round or cobble stone, was read a second time
and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 13. 1864.

Chestnut &
Messinger
Streets

The order submitted at the
last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to
pave Beacon Street from Charles to Burlington Streets was read
a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 13. 1864.

Beacon
Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent

Dec 12 1864 ent of Health be and is hereby instructed to contract with Benjamin W. of East Boston for the removal of Force Main from East Boston under the same terms and conditions as are contained in the contract with said Jay for the year 1864. Said contract to date from January 2. 1865 and to continue one year. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 17. 1864

Constable's

The Bond of David M. R. Dow,

and

a Constable having already been approved by the City Treasurer was approved by this Board. Approved by the Mayor, December 13. 1864

Wiley

Ordered: That there be paid to

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the heirs of Emory Wiley the sum of seventy five ⁷⁵/₁₀₀ dollars, for land taken to widen Dorchester Street, in 1862 upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening streets. Read twice and twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 13. 1864

Stewart

Ordered: That there be paid

to James Stewart the sum of one hundred and forty ⁴⁰/₁₀₀ Dollars, for land taken to widen Dorchester Street, in 1862 upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by Mayor Dec 13 1864

Ordered: That the Board 627

adopt the grade of Temple Place, between Nement and Wash- ington Streets, as shown on a plan and profile made by the City Engineer, dated June 27th 1864, and deposited in the office of the Board of Aldermen. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 13, 1864 (Rescinded April 24, 1865)

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be directed to remove the brick fence at the end of Concord Street westerly of Nement Street, called Concord Square, and grade said Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 13, 1864

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the conveyance to George H. Davis of a strip of land in the South Burial Ground on certain terms and conditions therein expressed was read a second time and was recommitted to the Committee on Cemeteries.

Ordered: That the Old Colony and Newport Railroad Company be notified to erect gates with suitable keeper or keepers at the points where the track of said Company cross Dorchester Avenue at the intersection of said Avenue, B. and Seventh Streets as follows, viz: two gates across Dorchester Avenue; one across B. Street and one across Seventh Street, the public security requiring the erection of said gates. The plan and position of said gates to be approved by the Committee on Paving of the Board of Aldermen and the Superintendent of Streets. Read twice and passed.

The Bond of Mr. Fred J. Turner, Auditor of Accounts in the sum of Five

628. Thousand Dollars was approved by the Board.

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Stebbins
Faneuil
Hall

Leave was granted to S. B. Stebbins and one hundred other citizens to use Faneuil Hall on December 21. 1864 for a meeting of the Fenian Brotherhood.

Battery
Street

Ordered: That the Committee on Paving of the Board of Aldermen be directed to cause to be removed the stone post and iron railing projecting over the line of Battery March Street at the corner of Hamilton Street in front of the 'Sun Tavern' estate, so called.

Washburn
Chimney

Whereas in the opinion of this Board the chimney now standing on the land belonging to William Washburn at corner of Merimac and Causeway Streets is in an unsafe condition and dangerous to the neighborhood, it is hereby Ordered: That notice be given to the said William Washburn to appear before this Board on Monday next at four o'clock P.M. and show cause why said chimney should not be removed.

Henchman
Street

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Henchman Street by taking land of Zephaniah Sampson's heirs, Maurice O'Connell, the Heirs of Luther Birt, Charles Cyford the Heirs of Jonathan Brown, Rebecca Hill, Thomas S. Fuller, and William A. Russell said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets.

Metropolitan
Council

On motion of Alderman Lundish the Board took from the table the order granting an ad-

ditional location to the Metropolitan Railroad Company in Dor- 629
chester Avenue over Long Street Bridge and in Tremont Street Dec 12, 1864
and in a portion of Summer Street also in Washington Street
near Roxbury Line and in Bowdoin Square &c; as recorded
page 612. And the question being on the passage of said
order, Alderman Standish moved to amend the same by
inserting at A. "Also to construct an additional curve track
from the main tracks of said Metropolitan Railroad Company
now down in Tremont Street in a northwesterly direction into
said company's land to join said company's track leading
to said company's stable near West Genes Street so called:-
The question being on the adoption of said amendment on mo-
tion of Alderman Stetinger the subject was adjourned to Mon-
day next at five o'clock P.M.

On motion of Alderman Stand- Broadway
ish the Board took from the table the order granting a loca- Railroad
tion to the Broadway Railroad Company in E. Fifth, Lechford,
Goddard, E. Fifth, E. and Fourth Streets &c; as recorded page 615,
and the question being on the passage of said order, it was
postponed to Monday next at five o'clock P.M.

Whereas, pursuant to an order Eighth
of this Board, passed on the ninth day of May, public notice Street
though having first been given, a common fence has been
built in Eighth Street, between J. and K. Streets, the cost of
which was three hundred and seventy one dollars and nine-
ty four cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be
paid by the said City, there remains two hundred & seventy
eight dollars and ninety six cents, to be charged to persons bene-

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filled by the same, according to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

West

Street.

Whereas, pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the eleventh day of July, a Common Sewer has been laid in West Street, the cost of which was ten hundred dollars and thirty two cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains Seven hundred and fifty dollars and twenty four cents to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Fourth

Street.

Whereas, pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the twelfth day of June, public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been laid in Fourth Street east of C. Street, the cost of which was five hundred and eighty nine dollars and eighteen cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains four hundred and forty one dollars and eighty

and, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law. It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

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Whereas, pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the tenth day of October public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been laid in Myrtle Street, the cost of which was five hundred and twenty four dollars and ninety cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains three hundred and ninety three dollars and sixty eight cents, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law. It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Myrtle
Street

Whereas, pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the seventh day of July public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been laid in Fifth Street, between Third & Second Street, the cost of which was eight hundred and twenty five dollars and ninety cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City,

Fifth
Street

832. There remains one hundred and nineteen dollars and forty
Dec. 12. 1864 three cents to be charged to persons benefitted by the same ac-
cording to law. It is therefore Ordered, that the persons nam-
ed in the schedule herunto annexed being benefitted as
aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed,
with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their
proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the
same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to
the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Hanover
Avenue

Whereas, pursuant to an order
of this Board, passed on the twenty fourth day of October pub-
lic notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer
has been laid in Hanover Avenue the cost of which was nine
hundred and seventy eight dollars and twenty five cents,
one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the
said city there remains seven hundred and thirty three
dollars and sixty nine cents to be charged to persons benefit-
ted by the same, according to law; It is therefore Ordered, that
the persons named in the schedule herunto annexed being
benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and
assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names,
as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and
the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given
to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Dove

Street

Whereas, pursuant to an order
of this Board, passed on the ninth day of May public notice
thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been

laid in Dove Street, the cost of which was twelve hundred 633.
and sixty four dollars and seventy cents, one quarter part Dec. 12. 1864.
whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there re-
mains nine hundred and forty eight dollars and fifty two
cents, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according
to law. It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the
schedule herunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, and
they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums
therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part
of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to
be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid,
their tenants or lessees.

Whereas, pursuant to an Order which
of this Board, passed on the thirtieth day of June public notice
thereof having first been given, a common sewer has been re-
built in Schish Street, the cost of which was nine hundred &
forty four dollars and fifty seven cents, one half part whereof be-
ing deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains four
hundred and seventy two dollars and twenty eight cents, to
be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law:
It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule
herunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, and they
hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set
to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense
of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and
notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Whereas, pursuant to an order Washington
of this Board, passed on the ninth day of November public notice Street.

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Money having first been given a common sewer within said
 in Washington Street the cost of which was five hundred and
 twenty dollars and fifty nine cents one quarter paid already
 being deducted, to be paid by the said City; there remains three
 hundred and ninety dollars and thirty seven cents, to be paid
 to persons benefitted by the same, according to law. It is
 therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule here-
 unto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they here-
 by are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their
 respective names as their proportional part of the expense of the
 said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice
 thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Parker.
 School Street

The Committee on Streets, to whom
 was referred the petition of H. D. Parker and others for the widen-
 ing of School Street in front of the City Hall, and also the peti-
 tion of Paul Adams and others in aid of the same, respectfully
 Report: That, in their opinion, it is inexpedient to widen School
 Street in front of the City Hall as now proposed; but at some fu-
 ture time, when a general widening of the street is proposed the
 City should join liberally in the matter. For the Committee, C. W.
 Kierckhoff, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Sidewalk
 assessment

The Superintendent of Streets
 reported to the Board schedules of assessments for construction
 of sidewalks by the City in Trickett, Gerrall, Dock Square, Col-
 lage Street, and Allen Lane, also in North Russell Chambers, Jay
 Congress, Myrtle, Berry, Shawmut, Avenue Chapman, Belmont
 First Streets, Marion, Sandoga, Princeton Streets, the abutters there-
 on having neglected to lay the same. Whereupon it was order-

ed that said assessments be collected according to law.

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Benjamin F. Jacobs was appointed by the Board a Weigher of Coal within this City

Coalweigher

Leave was granted to Fernald and Thompson to keep an Intelligence Office at 1265 Washington Street on the usual conditions

Intelligence
Office

On petition of Anne Allen that certain damages occasioned to her estate on Dorches Street by the widening of said Street may be adjusted, the Committee on Streets reported that repairs on the petitioner's premises having been made to her satisfaction no further action thereon is necessary. Read & accepted.

Allen

On the petition of Hammond and Foster, and others, that Hanover Street may be extended to Chelsea Ferry, the Committee on Streets reported that no action is expedient until the petitioners are ready to give their land to the City. Read and accepted.

Hammond.
Hanover
Street

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on the Market leave was granted to Jeremiah Russell to transfer Stall N^o 31 Faneuil Hall Market to J. H. Abbott.

Market

On petition of George A. Fields and others that a portion of the wall on Indiana Place may be raised to prevent accidents there, the Committee on Paving reported that the subject be referred to the next Board of Aldermen with the recommendation that it receive their early

Fields
Indiana
Place

636 attention. Read and accepted.

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Green
Ontario Street

On petition of Hugh Green & others that Ontario Street may be graded and extended to Fifth Street the committee on Paving reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw as Ontario Street is not a public highway. Read and accepted.

Gray

Holbrook

On the petitions of John C. Gray and Jesse Holbrook that some relief from surface drainage may be had in Summer Street and the South End, the Committees on Paving and Sewers reported that no further action thereon is required. Read & accepted.

Keyes

Seeds

Second Street

On the petition of Thomas Keyes for a sewer in Second Street, between K. and L. Streets, and the remonstrance of Samuel Seeds against the same, the Committee on Sewers reported a reference of the subject to the next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

Metropolitan

Railroad

On petition of the Metropolitan Railroad Company for curved tracks in Tremont Street near Lenox Street and in Causeway Street near Eastern Railroad Station, the Committee on Paving reported that an amendment in the location proposed this day (see page 629) will locate the Tremont Street track: and that the petitioners have leave to withdraw on the subject of the Causeway Street track. Read and accepted.

Bates

On petition of Amos Bates to be compensated for damage done to his estate by change of grade in Brookline Street, the Committee on Paving reported that they are in favor of allowing him one hundred dol-

law for his claim. Read and accepted

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On petition of John C. Sharp
for a Sewer in Chestnut Street, west of Messinger Street, the Com-
mittee on Sewers reported leave to withdraw. Read & accepted.

Sharp

On petition of the Dedham
and West Roxbury Railroad Company for leave to use steam
as a motive power in the streets of Boston, the Committee on
Sewers reported leave to withdraw & being inexpedient to
grant the use of steam power over the route asked for, at the
present time. Read and accepted.

Dedham

and

West Roxbury

Railroad

On the petition of the North
up Railroad Company for a location in East Boston the Com-
mittee on Sewers reported a reference of the subject to the
next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

Northup

Railroad

On the petition of the Suffolk
Railroad Company for leave to remove their tracks from Winter
Street, the Committee on Sewers reported that any action there-
on is inexpedient at the present time. Read and accepted

Suffolk

Railroad

Aldermen Norcross and War-
ren were appointed a committee to examine the returns of votes
cast this day for a Mayor and Twelve Aldermen

Votes.

Committee on

Resolved, That the safety &
convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that Hench-
man Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is neces-

Henchman

Street.

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Simpson

way to take and lay out as a public street or way of the said city, a parcel of land belonging to the Heirs of ¹Stephaniah Simpson, bounded as follows, viz: Southwestwardly by the proposed line of widening of said Henchman Street, there measuring thirty seven feet and $\frac{15}{100}$; Northeastwardly by land herein after described as taken from Maurice Connell two of a foot: Southeastwardly by the same nineteen feet and $\frac{1}{10}$; Northeastwardly again by the same, eighteen feet and $\frac{6}{100}$; Southeastwardly by the present line of said Henchman Street, seventeen feet and $\frac{36}{100}$ and Southwestwardly by Charter Street, twenty feet and $\frac{7}{100}$: containing three hundred and seventy square feet, more or less. Also a parcel of land belonging to

Connell.

Maurice Connell bounded as follows, viz: Southwestwardly by the proposed line of widening of said Henchman Street, there measuring twenty six feet and $\frac{3}{100}$; Northeastwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from the Heirs of Luther Dixty, eighteen feet and $\frac{55}{100}$; Southeastwardly by the present line of said Henchman Street forty five feet and $\frac{34}{100}$; Southwestwardly by land above described as taken from the Heir of ¹Stephaniah Simpson, eighteen feet and $\frac{7}{100}$; Southwestwardly by the same, nineteen feet and $\frac{1}{10}$, and Southwestwardly again by the same, $\frac{62}{100}$ of a foot: containing eight hundred and sixty three square feet, more or less. Also

Dixty

a parcel of land belonging to the Heirs of Luther Dixty, bounded as follows, viz: Southwestwardly by the proposed line of widening of said Henchman Street, there measuring twenty four feet: Northeastwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from Charles Oxford, thirteen feet and $\frac{3}{100}$; Southeastwardly by the present line of said Henchman Street four feet and

¹⁵/₁₀₀. Northeastwardly by the same, four feet and ⁷/₁₀₀; South
eastwardly again by the same twenty feet and ¹⁰⁰/₁₀₀; and
Southwestwardly by land above described as taken from
Maurice L'Amable, eighteen feet and ⁵⁵/₁₀₀; containing four
hundred and nineteen square feet, more or less. Also a
parcel of land belonging to Charles Cyford, bounded as fol-
lows, viz: Southwestwardly by the proposed line of widening
of said Henchman Street, there measuring ten feet and ¹⁰/₁₀₀;
Northeastwardly by land hereinafter described as taken
from the Heirs of Jonathan Leary, twelve feet and ¹⁰⁰/₁₀₀; South
eastwardly by the present line of said Henchman Street, ten
feet and ⁹⁵/₁₀₀; and Southwestwardly by land above describ-
ed as taken from the Heirs of Luther Birby, thirteen feet and
³¹/₁₀₀; containing one hundred and fifty square feet, more or
less. Also a parcel of land belonging to the Heirs of Jonathan
Leary, bounded as follows, viz: Southwestwardly by the proposed
line of widening of said Henchman Street, there measuring thirty
feet and ⁵⁸/₁₀₀; Northeastwardly by land hereinafter described as
taken from Rebecca Hall eleven feet and ¹⁸/₁₀₀; Southeastwardly
by the present line of said Henchman Street, thirty feet and ⁹/₁₀₀;
and Southwestwardly by land above described as taken from
Charles Cyford, twelve feet and ⁴⁴/₁₀₀; containing three hundred
and seventy three square feet, more or less. Also a parcel of land
belonging to Rebecca Hall bounded as follows, viz: Southwest-
wardly by the proposed line of widening of said Henchman Street,
there measuring thirty two feet and ¹²/₁₀₀; Northeastwardly by
land hereinafter described as taken from Thomas P. Pulsifer,
seventeen feet and ³/₁₀₀; Southeastwardly by the present line of
said Henchman Street, thirty two feet and ³/₁₀₀; and South-
west-

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Cyford.

Leary

Hall

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wardly by the same and by land above described as taken from the heirs of Nathan Cary, seventeen feet and $\frac{5}{16}$ containing five hundred and sixty four square feet more or less.

Pulsifer

Now a parcel of land belonging to Thomas P. Pulsifer, bounded as follows, viz: Northwestwardly by the proposed line of widening of said Archman Street, there measuring twenty one feet; Northwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from William A. Prescott, seventeen feet and $\frac{68}{100}$; Southwardly by the present line of said Archman Street, twenty one feet and $\frac{36}{100}$; and Southwardly by land above described as taken from Rebecca Malt, seventeen feet and $\frac{73}{100}$; containing three hundred and seventy three square feet more or less. Also, a

Prescott

parcel of land belonging to William A. Prescott, bounded as follows, viz: Northwardly by the proposed line of widening of said Archman Street, there measuring seventy four feet and $\frac{68}{100}$; Northwardly by Commercial Street, seventeen feet and $\frac{73}{100}$; Southwardly by the present line of said Archman Street, seventy six feet and $\frac{62}{100}$; and Southwardly by land above described as taken from Thomas P. Pulsifer, seventeen feet and $\frac{68}{100}$; containing thirteen hundred and nine square feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcels of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereto annexed, It is therefore ordered, That the parcels of land before described be, and the same hereby are, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City - according to a plan of the said widening made by A. Henry Crafts, City Engineer, dated November 21st 1864 and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen

And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening
the said Henchman Street, as aforesaid, will amount to four-
teen thousand dollars; which sum, together with the amount of
estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said
street, during the present municipal year, does exceed the sum
of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Ordered: That Marlborough
Street between Arlington Street and Berkeley Street, and
the same hereby is dedicated as a public highway upon a
deed of the same being given to the City of Boston by the Com-
monwealth of Massachusetts. Read once.

The Committee on Paving
have had under consideration the claim made against the
City of Boston by Messrs W^m Evans & Son contractors for building
the Albany Street Extension for the balance due them under the
said contract, extra labor and interest for non-payment at
the time of the completion of the work, amounting to \$1,091.34.
The amount originally appropriated by special loan for the
accomplishment of this work was \$84,800, the contract price of
the Messrs Evans was \$84,848. The payments to the Messrs Evans
to this date amount to \$77,326.71. In addition there has been
paid from this loan superintendence \$1500 and for reference ex-
pense \$50. Total payments \$8,876.71. Leaving a balance unexpended
of \$5,923.39. The Committee have had several interviews
with the Messrs Evans and have consulted the City Solicitor
in relation to the matter and are unanimous in their conclu-
sion that there be paid the Messrs Evans \$16,000 in full settlement
for any and all claims which they have against the City for
work done on the Albany Street Extension. The Messrs Evans will

642 accept this sum. The contract for building of Albany Street Extension was made with the Messrs Evans in Dec. 1859 but work was not commenced before the early part of 1861 and was finished by the contractor the present year. The wall and the principal portion of this work was done before your Committee had charge of the same. In view of all the circumstances of the case your Committee would respectfully recommend the passage of the accompanying order. In the Committee, L. Miles Standish, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Finance be directed to provide by special loan or otherwise, the sum of ten thousand one hundred dollars ~~or more~~ to be added to the amount appropriated for the Albany Street Extension. Read once.

Adjourned to Thursday next at twelve o'clock, M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on Thursday the fifteenth day of December, Anno Domini, 1864

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Olcott and Marsh.

Rogers

Petition of James C. Rogers that the City Council would reconsider his claim to be reimbursed for bounty advanced by him to a recruit. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

On motion of Alderman Nor- 643

cross the Board reconsidered the vote whereby on Monday last Dec. 13. 1861
the application of the Overseers of the Poor for a Relief Building Overseers of
was referred to the next City Council. and thereupon said appli- the Poor
cation was referred to the Committee on the Overseers of the Poor. Relief Building.
Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

The Committee appointed to Votes.
examine the returns of votes cast for Mayor and Aldermen at Report of
the recent Municipal Election on the 12th instant, have attended Committee
to that duty and Report: That the returns appear to be properly
authenticated and the results are correctly recorded in the
Book kept for that purpose, from which it appears that the follow-
ing persons having a plurality of votes have been duly elected
Mayor and Aldermen of this City for the ensuing Municipal
Year viz:

Mayor.
Frederic W. Lincoln, Jr.
Aldermen.

Robert Marsh
Edward F. Porter
Sylvanus A. Denio
George W. Messinger
Thomas Gaffield
Daniel Davies

Charles F. Dana
John S. Tyler
L. Miles Standish
Nathaniel C. Nash
William W. Clapp, Jr.
George W. Sprague.

The Committee recommend that the foregoing persons be noti-
fied of their election, by the City Clerk. In the examination of
the returns of votes from the Several Wards the Committee find
evidences of carelessness on the part of the officers of some Wards,
which are wholly inexcusable, and which in a closely contested

61st Election might have defeated persons who were legally chosen by the people. The Committee feel it to be their duty to call this public attention to the matter in order that more care may be used in counting and recording of the ballots than was used in some places on the recent election. C. S. Norcross, George W. Warren, Committee. Read and accepted.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on Monday the nineteenth day of December, Anno Domini, 1864.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Stevens
So. Burial
Ground.

Application of Calvin Stevens to be heard respecting the proposed conveyance of a strip of land in the South Burial Ground to Geo. H. Davis. Referred to the Committee on Cemeteries.

Mullen

Application of Mullen, Phillips & others in favor of the petition of A. B. Hayes for a wagon stand at 1320 East Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Supreme
Judicial Court.

Petition of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court for better accommodations in the County Court House wherein to hear equity cases &c. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board.

and others against the proposed pavement of Queen Street between Charles and Arlington Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving with instructions to hear the parties.

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Ropes.
Queen Street

On nomination by the Mayor Charles H. Hubbard was appointed a Special Police Officer for duty on Hanover Street, Eli S. Ballis a Special Police Officer for duty at Armory of the Ninth Unattached Company, and William B. Stacy for duty at the Melodeon.

Special
Police

On nomination by the Mayor, Thomas B. Ford, Joseph H. Jordan, Eben Finscom, Ebenezer S. Crocker, and Jesse D. Scott were appointed Police Officers of this city with all the powers of Constables except the power of serving and executing civil process.

Police

Notice was received from the Common Council of the appointment of Mr. Boyce of Ward 10 on the Committee to nominate Superintendent of Streets, in place of Mr. Robbins heretofore appointed on said Committee and who declined to serve thereon. Read and placed on file.

Supt. of
Streets.
Committee on.

A vote of thanks from the City of Toronto for copies of the Auditor's Report and of the Laws and Ordinances of this City was received, read and sent down in Common Council. Placed on file.

Toronto

The Committee on Public Buildings would respectfully report that the appropriations for Grammar Schools and Primary Schools have been expended and that there will be needed for the expenses of said schools for the bal.

Grammar
& Primary
Schools

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ance of the present financial year 1864-65 for Grammar Schools the sum of \$32,000, for Primary Schools 14,000. These additional appropriations are rendered necessary by the great increase of the price of fuel from that upon which the original appropriation was based, and to meet expenses incurred for alterations of School houses under orders passed by the City Council. For the Committee, Daniel Larier, Chairman. Referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 22. Came up concurred.

Boylston
School House

On request from the School Committee that the Boylston School House may be so altered as to separate the basement story from the rest of the building and thereby lessen the danger from fire. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Public Buildings. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Whittier

Ordered: That the sum of fifteen hundred dollars to be paid Seth Whittier as provided in the order of the City Council, December 9. 1864 be charged to the appropriation for Bridges &c. instead of incidental expenses as therein provided. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 22. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor December 23, 1864.

Henchman
Street

The resolve and order submitted to the Board on the 12th instant to widen Henchman Street by taking land of the heirs of Stephen Sampson and others were read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. December 29. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor December 30, 1864.

An Ordinance to amend the
Ordinance relating to Water, so that the use of hand hose may
be allowed for washing windows and sprinkling streets on pay-
ment of not less than three nor more than twenty dollars. Pass-
ed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and
concurred. Approved by the Mayor December 21. 1864. See (Ordi-
nance recorded in Record of Ordinances.)

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Water

hand hose

The Committee on Claims, to
whom was referred the petition of Cummings and Carlisle,
to be paid damages for delay in their contract upon the City
Hospital, have considered the same, and respectfully rec-
ommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the
Committee, Otis Norcross, Chairman. Read and accepted.
Sent down for concurrence. December 22 came up concurred.

Cummings

Whereas the twenty fifth day
of December occurs this year on Sunday, it is hereby Ordered:
That Christmas Day be observed by the Officers of the City Govern-
ment on Monday the twenty sixth instant, and that the public
offices be closed on that day. Passed. Sent down for concurrence.
Dec. 22^d came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 23^d 1864.

Christmas

Petition of James Dennie for
office of Superintendent of Streets. Read and sent down.
In Common Council. Placed on file.

Dennie

Application of the Cochituate
Water Board for a certain amendment of the Water Ordinance
increasing the rates for supply of Fountains and Manu-

Water

Ordinance

648. factories. Read and referred to the Committee on Ordinances.
Dec. 19. 1864. Sent down for concurrence. December 29. Came up concurred.

Evans.
Albany Street The report and order submitted to the Board on the 12th instant in favor of giving the contract with William Evans for construction of Albany Street by payment of ten thousand one hundred dollars therefor, and requesting the Committee on Finance to provide the means, were read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. December 22^o Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor December 23^o 1864.

Appropriation. The Auditor of Accounts reported to the Board that an addition of fifteen thousand dollars would be needed to the appropriation for incidental expenses. Referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. Dec 22^o Came up concurred.

Street
Supt: of
nominated The Committee appointed to nominate a candidate for Superintendent of Streets in place of Alfred T. Turner, resigned, have considered the matter, and respectfully recommend the election of Mr. William H. Pratt. For the Committee L. Miles Standish, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 22. Came up concurred.

Streets
Superintendent
chosen. On motion of Alderman Standish the Board proceeded by ballot to the choice of a Superintendent of Streets in place of Alfred T. Turner, resigned; and it appeared that the whole number of ballots was 12. Necessary for a choice 7. William H. Pratt had 1, John A. Jarvis 2, James Linnic 3, and Charles Jarvis 6 and there was no choice. The Board having

proceeded to a second ballot it appeared that the whole
number of ballots was 12. Necessary for a choice; Charles Harris
had 9. John A. Davies 2. William H. Pratt 1. To said Harris was
duly elected on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence
Dec. 22 came up concurred.

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Ordered: That there be paid to
Emory Wileys heirs the sum of seventy five ⁷⁵00 dollars, for land
taken to widen Dorchester Street, in 1862, upon their giving to the
City a Deed for the same, or an acquittance and discharge
satisfactory to the City Solicitor for all damages, costs and expenses
in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged
to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying
out and widening streets. Ordered, that the order to pay Emory
Wileys heirs for land taken to widen Dorchester Street approved
December 13, 1864, be and the same is hereby rescinded. Read
twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 20, 1864.

Wiley

Ordered: That there be paid
to Charles H. Burrage, Treasurer of the Benevolent Fraternity
of Churches, the sum of one hundred and twenty eight ²⁵/₁₀₀
dollars, for land taken to widen Dorchester Street, in 1862, upon
his giving to the City a Deed for the same, or an acquittance
and discharge satisfactory to the City Solicitor for all damages,
costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that
the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims
for laying out and widening streets. Ordered, that the order to
pay C. H. Burrage for land taken to widen Dorchester Street ap-
proved Oct. 17, 1864, be and the same is hereby rescinded. Read
twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 20, 1864.

Benevolent
Fraternity
of
Churches

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Ashton.

Ordered, That there be paid to the Heirs of John Ashton the sum of one thousand and twenty four and $\frac{7}{100}$ dollars, for land taken to widen Federal Street, by a Resolue of the Board of Aldermen passed December 9, 1861, upon their giving to the City a Deed or the same, or an acquittance and Discharge satisfactory to the City Solicitor for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets.
Ordered: That the order to pay the Heirs of John Ashton for land taken to widen Federal Street, approved November 22, 1864, be and the same is hereby rescinded. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 20, 1864.

Marlboro
Street.

The order submitted to the Board on the twelfth instant to accept Marlboro Street between Arlington and Berkeley Streets as a public highway was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 21, 1864.

Green
Street.

Smith

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that Green Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Thomas C. Smith bounded as follows, viz: Southwestwardly by the proposed line of widening of said Street, there measuring eighty three feet and $\frac{75}{100}$; Eastwardly by Staniford Street, seven feet and $\frac{1}{100}$; and Northwardly by the present line of Green Street, being an irregular line, eighty two feet and $\frac{3}{100}$; containing five hundred

and thirty seven square feet more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return herunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by A. Fenwick Civil Engineer, dated May 9th 1864, and deposited in the Office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Green Street, as aforesaid, will amount to four thousand dollars; which sum, together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 20. 1864

Ordered, That there be paid to Thomas L. Hancock of Philadelphia, Trustee under the will of Hannah Hancock, the sum of one hundred & twenty five dollars, for land taken to widen Cross Street, in 1855, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, with acquittance and discharge satisfactory to the City Solicitor for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 20. 1864.

Agreeably to notice the Board took up the subject of the petition of Hanson and Petersen for leave to erect a Steam Flaming Mill between Liverpool & Funder

652. Dec 14. 1864. Streets and near Decatur Street, and it appearing that public notice had been given of the pendency of said petition, the petitioners explained to the Board the purpose of their petition and gave a description of the location and proposed construction of the Steam Boiler to be used in said Mill; a remonstrance signed by David H. Dyer and others against such a structure was also read - and the whole subject was recommended to the Committee on Steam Engines.

Washburn.

Chimney

The Board then took up the subject of the dangerous chimney on estate of William Washburn at corner of Merrimac and Causeway Streets - and it appearing that Mr. Washburn having been duly notified offered no objections to the removal of said chimney, the subject was referred to the Committee on Paving.

Dickerman.

Steam
Engine

On petition of Geo. H. Dickerman for leave to erect a Steam Engine in the building on Green Street formerly known as the Church of the Advent, it was ordered, that fourteen days notice be given by the petitioner to all parties interested that this Board will on Monday the ninth day of January next at four o'clock, P. M. take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the above petition when any parties who object thereto may appear and be heard. Said notice to be given by publication of a copy of said petition and this order thereon in the Boston Daily Advertiser.

Second hand
article

Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Licenses the following persons were licensed.

to deal in Second Hand Articles from S. Gibbs at 22 Salem
Street - Joseph Dawson at 312 Federal Street.

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On petition of William J. Smith
that a fence may be erected along the line of the Worcester
Railroad on Village, Exchange, and other streets, the Committee
on Paving reported that it is inexpedient to grant the meas-
ure proposed as it will not tend to prevent the occurrence of
accidents there. Read and accepted.

Smith
Village
street

On petition of J. H. Stephenson
and others that Boylston Street may be accepted from Arling-
ton to Berkeley Streets, the Committee on Paving reported
that said Street will probably be in a condition for accept-
ance early next year and that said petition be referred to
the next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

Stephenson
Boylston
street

Agreeably to assignment
the Board took up the proposed location reported for the
Metropolitan Railroad and the question being on the a-
mendment at A. as recorded page 629, it was adopted by
the Board. Alderman Messinger then moved to amend
said order by inserting at 3 a clause granting to the Broad-
way Railroad Company the exclusive right to run cars over
the tracks of the Metropolitan Rail Road. The question being
on the adoption of this amendment the subject was laid on
the table.

Metropolitan
Railroad

The Board then took up the
subject of the proposed location for the Broadway Railroad
and after a brief discussion this subject was also laid on the table.

Broadway
Railroad

6514 The Board then adjourned to Saturday next at 11 o'clock AM
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At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on Saturday the twenty fourth day of December Anno Domini 1864
Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Jenic, Messinger and Sprague.

Juries

Twenty two Grand Juries were drawn for the Superior Criminal Court - Thirty one habeas corpus Juries drawn for the same Court - Thirty one for the first session of the Superior Court and thirty one for the second session of the Superior Court.

Mariners

Petition of Rebecca Harriman for abatement of assessment for construction of a sidewalk in Milton Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving

Com: Council
Resident
pro tem.

Notice was received from the Common Council that at their meeting on the 23rd instant, Solomon B. Stebbins was chosen President pro tem.

City
Hospital

Ordered: That the Trustees and the Superintendent of the City Hospital be authorized to make their reports to the City Council in print. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 27. 1864

Appropriation
Fire Sheds

The Committee on Public Buildings beg leave respectfully to represent that the appro-

provision for a building on the South Bay for the Saving Dept 655
Department is nearly exhausted. The amount of the appropriation Dec. 24, 1864
was \$4,000. The expenses already incurred, are:

For foundations, caps, sills &c	\$735.75
Contract of J. C. Howbridge	7,900.00
tie-irons and iron-work	23.35
extra length & width of building	200.00
six extra windows	96.00
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The painting and some further extra work are still to be done, and the Committee respectfully ask an appropriation of one thousand dollars to meet the expense. For the Committee, Daniel Davies, Chairman. Ordered: That the sum of one thousand dollars be added to the appropriation for a building for the Saving Department on the South Bay Lands, and the Committee on Finance be requested to provide the means. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 24, 1864.

A communication was read from the Chief of Police relative to certain difficulties, which exist in the enforcement of the ordinance respecting the removal of ice from the sidewalks of this City. Referred to the Committee on Ordinances in consultation with the Committee on Internal Health. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 29. Came up concurred. Streets ice

The Committee on the Overseers of the Poor, to whom were referred a resolution of the Overseers of the Poor, and the accompanying communi- Overseers of the Poor.

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Dec. 24, 1864. cation of their chairman, and also the two Reports from
committee of that Board. which have been printed as
City Documents, and are numbered 70 and 91 in the series
of the current year, have considered the same, and ask
leave to submit the following Report. It is undoubtedly true
that the plan, recommended in the documents referred to
your committee, of procuring a building capable of furnish-
ing proper accommodations for the Overseers of the Poor, and
also for the leading societies whose sole object is to dispense
private charity to the destitute, with the view of bringing
these several organizations into such a system as shall
render the action of each more salutary than it has hereto-
fore been, will be productive of highly useful results, if the
plan shall be properly executed. It is not designed that these
several organizations shall be merged into one, or that ei-
ther of them shall perform the functions of another. The duties
of the Overseers of the Poor are created and defined by law,
and these duties must neither be neglected nor transcend-
ed. This Board cannot, therefore, delegate their task to others,
or take upon themselves burdens which the law does not im-
pose on them. Each of these bodies which it is proposed to bring
into convenient proximity to each other, and into concert of
action to a certain extent, will continue to be as independ-
ent as it now is, and to pursue the end for which it was
created. But as the objects of all of these institutions are
kindred in their character, the information gathered by ei-
ther of them, as well as a knowledge of the action taken by
it, must be useful to all the others. In cases where relief
should be afforded, if the applicants are ignorant of the

source from which it should be sought they can be readily 657.
referred to the appropriate institutions, and importers, Dec. 24 1864
who, by ingenious and wicked devices, contrive to make
themselves recipients from the different institutions of means
provided for the unfortunate and needy, will be more eas-
ily detected, and certainly prevented from practising their
impositions upon more than one institution. For these reasons,
as well as others, which have been developed by the Overseers
of the Poor, your Committee are unanimously of the opinion,
that it is expedient that a building conforming to the rec-
ommendations of the Overseers should be provided as soon as
the necessary means can be procured therefor. As the building,
when it is provided, is to be appropriated both to public and
private uses, the funds necessary for its erection should be fur-
nished from both of these sources. While the City Council will
undoubtedly be ready to exercise all the liberality for the
accomplishment of this object, which consistent with their
duty, they cannot be expected to appropriate the public money
to other than public uses. Your Committee cannot doubt that
an appeal to the citizens of Boston for so much assistance as
may be needed to carry the proposed plan into successful op-
eration will be favorably responded to; and with this reliance
they recommend the passage of the accompanying order. It is
Forcross, Charles F. Dana, David A. Woolidge, John A. Bradlee,
Thomas Gaffield. Ordered: That when thirty thousand dol- Vide July 6. 1866.
lars shall be raised by private contribution, and paid into
the City Treasury, to provide a building for the use of the
Overseers of the Poor, and such charitable societies as the
City Council may from time to time designate to be occupants

658. thereof, the City of Boston will appropriate the said sum and
Dec. 24. 1864 such amount in addition thereto as may be necessary, not
exceeding thirty thousand dollars, to the procuring of such a
building, the building, however, shall be the property of the
city, and the City Council shall have the exclusive right
to control and dispose of it as they shall deem expedient. Read
twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence Dec. 29. Came
up concurred. Approved by the Mayor December 30. 1864.

Mount Hope
Cemetery.

Home for
Indigent &

Ordered: That the Trustees of
Mount Hope Cemetery, under the advice and with the con-
currence of the Committee on Cemeteries, set apart for the
use of the Society called the Home for Indigent and Incura-
ble Consumptives 'four lots' or twelve hundred square feet
in the said Cemetery, upon condition that the said Society
keep the said lots in good order and condition, at their own
expense, use the same only for the interment of the bodies of
persons dying in their institution, and bury all such bodies
without expense to the City. (Read twice and passed. Sent down
for concurrence. December 29. Came up concurred. Approved
by the Mayor December 30. 1864.

Appropriations

The Committee on Finance
to whom were referred the orders of the City Council to pro-
vide for two thousand dollars to be added to the appropria-
tion for the Public Library and one thousand dollars for the
Firing Department Buildings, also the communication
from the Auditor of Accounts that there will be needed for the
present financial year an additional appropriation of fifteen
thousand dollars for incidental expenses, would respectfully

recommend the passage of the accompanying order of loan 659.
for the Committee, F. W. Lincoln, Jr. Chairman. Ordered: Dec. 24. 1864.
That the following transfer of appropriations be made, viz:
from Reserved Fund to Public Library, two thousand dollars;
from War Expenses to Incidental Expenses, fifteen thousand dol-
lars; from Sinking &c. to Sinking Department Buildings, one
thousand dollars. Read twice and passed. Yeas, Aldermen
Clapp, Dana, Davis, Marsh, Nash, Norcross, Standish, Stevens &
Nays none. Sent down for concurrence, Dec. 29. Came up concurred.
Yeas 12. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 30. 1864.

The Committee on Finance Albany
to whom was referred the order of the City Council direct- Street
ing said Committee to provide ten thousand one hundred extension
dollars to be added to the loans already appropriated for
the Albany Street Extension would respectfully report the ac-
companying order. For the Committee F. W. Lincoln, Jr. Chairman.
Ordered: That the Treasurer be and hereby is authorized to Loan
borrow under the direction of the Committee on Finance the
sum of ten thousand, one hundred dollars, in addition to the
loan authorized Dec. 9. 1859, for the Extension of Albany Street.
Read twice and passed. Yeas, Aldermen Clapp, Dana, Davis,
Marsh, Nash, Norcross, Standish, Stevens, & Nays none. Sent
down for concurrence. Dec. 31. Came up concurred. Yeas 35. Nay
1. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 31. 1864.

The Committee on Finance Grammar
to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Pub- School House
lic Buildings requesting an additional appropriation for
Grammar and Primary School Houses, would respectfully

660. report the accompanying orders for the Committee, J. W. Lin-
Dec. 24, 1864 coln. Chairman. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and hereby
Loan is authorized to borrow under the direction of the Committee
on Finance the sum of thirty two thousand dollars, the same
to be added to the appropriation for Grammar School Houses.
Read twice and passed. Yeas Aldermen Clapp, Dana, Davis,
Marth, Nash, Noyes, Standish, Stevens & Nays none. Sent
down for concurrence. Dec. 29. Came up concurred. Yeas 12. Nays
none. Approved by the Mayor December 30, 1864.

Primary
School Houses.
Loan. Ordered: That the Treasurer
be and hereby is authorized to borrow under the direction
of the Committee on Finance the sum of fourteen thousand
dollars, the same to be added to the appropriation for Primary
School Houses. Read twice and passed. Yeas Aldermen Clapp,
Dana, Davis, Marth, Nash, Noyes, Standish, Stevens & Nays
none. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 29. Came up concurred.
Yeas 12. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor December 30, 1864.

Market. Ordered: That Faneuil Hall
Market Houses be closed on and after ten o'clock, A. M.
on Monday the 26th instant, which day will be observed
as Christmas in this City.

Mose.
Harrison
Avenue. Ordered: That the Chief of Po-
lice be directed to notify Sidney B. Mose, the owner of the
estate on Harrison Avenue near Malden Street to remove
the steps which have been placed in front of said estate pro-
jecting over the line of said Avenue contrary to the Ordinances
of the City within ten days of the date of this order, and

if not so removed, the said Chief of Police is further directed 661
to cause said steps to be removed at the expense of said Mass. Dec. 24, 1864

The following persons were Auctioneers
licensed as Auctioneers in this city for one year from January
1st 1865 viz: William Cook No 111 Commercial Street. William
A. Merriam 32 Milk Street. Joseph L. Genshaw 5 Merchants Ex-
change. Sprague & Tappan 11 Central Street. Strough and Rowland
corner of East and South Streets. Dudley A. Bayley 41 Federal
Street. David A. Mc Gilray No. 53.55 Tremont Street. Maurice P.
Mitchell No. 10.12 Federal Street. N. L. Colburn No. 113 Court
Street. George W. Beckford No. 34.40 Court Street. John Milton 46
Broadway. Mark Salom 333 Washington Street.

The Bond of Charles Harris, Streets
Superintendent of Streets was approved by the Board. Supt's bond.

Ordered: That the Board adopt Henchman
the grade of Henchman Street between Charter and Com- Street.
mercial Streets, as shown on a plan and profile drawn by the
City Engineer dated November 21, 1864, and deposited in the
Office of the Board of Aldermen. Read and laid on the table.

On petition of the Metropolitan Metropolitan
Rail Road Company for leave to run dummy engines on their Railroad
tracks in Dorchester Avenue, Tremont and Washington Streets,
the Committee on Paving reported a reference of the subject to
the next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

Dec. 24, 1864. Upon the remonstrance of William Ropes and others against the proposed pavement of Beacon Street, the Committee who were instructed to hear the remonstrants reported a reference of the subject to the next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

Northampton
Street

The Committee of the whole Board to whom was referred the subject of the nuisance in the vicinity of Northampton Street have given the subject much attention, and have brought the same to the notice of the District Attorney, who has promised to lay the matter before the Grand Jury of this County: no further action is therefore required at this time on the part of this Board. For the Committee, Otis Norcross, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Wheeler

Leave was granted to S. O. Wheeler to give an Equestrian Exhibition at the corner of Portland and Travers Streets on the usual conditions and to commence on December 26, 1864.

Offices.
vacancies.

The Committee on Ordinances to whom was referred the subject of vacancies in the several city offices reported as follows: The Committee on Ordinances, who were directed to consider and report whether ample provision is made in the city charter and the Ordinances for sudden and unforeseen vacancies in the several departments of the public service, respectfully Report: That but two city officers are provided for in the charter, namely, the City Clerk and City Treasurer. It is provided that when occasion requires, the Mayor may appoint a City Clerk pro tempore; but no such provision is made in the case of the City Treasurer, and the city council cannot act upon the matter without first obtain-

ing an amendment to the charter in relation to offices created 663
to the City Council, the Ordinances contain no provision for tem- Dec. 24, 1864
porarily filling vacancies, except in the case of the Auditor;
and as cases may arise where it will be very desirable to
have sudden vacancies immediately filled, the Committee re-
commend the passage of the accompanying ordinance. For the
Committee, C. F. Dana, Chairman. The foregoing report and an
ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to provide for the temporary
appointment of certain City Officers" which provides that va-
cancies may be filled by persons appointed temporarily thereof
by the Mayor, were read once.

The Committee on Ordinances Mount Hope
to whom was recommended the Ordinance to amend the Ordin- Cemetery
ance in relation to Mount Hope Cemetery with instructions to
report the same in a new draft, respectfully present the ac-
companying Ordinance. For the Committee, C. F. Dana, Chair-
man. The above report and an Ordinance entitled "An Ordini-
nance to amend the Ordinance in relation to Mount Hope Cem-
etry which provides for the election of five Trustees, viz: one
Alderman two Councilmen and two citizens at large to
hold their offices as therein indicated, see City Document 99
were read once.

In accordance with the request Water Works
of the Cochituate Water Board, the Committee on Ordinances
respectfully present the accompanying Ordinance to amend
the rates of charge for measured water, for the consideration of
the City Council. For the Committee, C. F. Dana, Chairman.
The foregoing report and an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance
to amend the Ordinance providing for the care and manage-

661 ment of the Boston Water Works' whereby Sections 45, and 47 of the Water Ordinance were amended so as to fix the rates for Fountains and for large Manufactories at three cents for every hundred gallons estimated or measured, ^A were read once.

Adjourned to Wednesday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics Hall on Wednesday the twenty eighth day of December, Anno Domini, 1864.
Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Warren

Pratt.
For childrens
School

The Committee on Public Buildings, to whom was referred the petition of George F. Pratt for a room for religious instruction for poor children, respectfully recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, Daniel Davies, Chairman. Ordered: That the use of one room in the school house in Bumstead Court be granted to George F. Pratt, for the purpose of giving religious instruction to poor children (subject however to the control of the Committee on Public Buildings). Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 29. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor
December 30. 1864

Peoples' Ferry
Slips & Docks

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they hereby are authorized to let for a term not exceeding one year, the slips and docks late-

ly belonging to the Peoples Ferry Company, on such terms as 663.
they deem for the best interests of the City. Read twice & passed. Dec. 28. 1864.
Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 29. Came up concurred. Approv-
ed by the Mayor December 30. 1864

Ordered: That the salary of Streets.
the Superintendent of Streets from the 25th of December 1864 and salary of
until otherwise ordered, be fixed at the rate of eighteen hun- Supt.
dred dollars per annum. Read twice and passed. Sent down
for concurrence. Dec. 29. Came up concurred. Approved by the
Mayor December 30. 1864.

The Joint Special Committee Ferdinand
on the Back Bay, so called, who have had charge of the Street.
negotiations with Messrs. E. and V. Brown for the construction Brown
of Ferdinand Street, respectfully represent that the construct-
ion of this street as originally planned would involve either
the closing of Fayette Street or the raising of the same to a
grade corresponding with Ferdinand Street. A temporary
arrangement has been made by which Fayette Street re-
mains open, chiefly for the use of the Boston and Worcester
Railroad which has a right of way from its land in this vi-
cinity through Fayette Street. It is desirable that some ar-
rangement be entered into by which the question of the value
of this right of way shall not be deferred till after Fayette
Street is raised, as it doubtless will be ere long; and for the
purpose of having the matter adjusted amicably and with-
out litigation, the Committee recommend the passage of the
accompanying order. For the Committee L. Miles Standish Chair-
man. Ordered: That the Committee on the Back Bay, so called,
be and they hereby are invested, under the advice of the City

666 Solicitor, and with the consent of the Mayor, with full power
Dec. 28. 1864 to negotiate with Messrs E and N. Brown, and finally settle
with them all matters and things pertaining to the construc-
tion of Ferdinand Street: and for this purpose to modify and
change the existing arrangement with the said E and N
Brown to such extent as they shall deem expedient, and
to pay such amount of money, in addition to the sum already
appropriated for said Street as may be necessary. Read
twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence Dec. 29. Came up
concurred. Approved by the Mayor December 30. 1864

Grammar
School house
site.

Ordered: That the Committee
on Duck Bay Lands be authorized to purchase a lot of land
situated by them between "Columbus Avenue," so called, and
Ferdinand Street and containing about 32500 square feet as
a site for a Grammar School House, pursuant to the vote of
the City Council approved June 20. 1864 in relation to the "Brown
contract." said purchase to be made in consultation with the
Mayor and the City Solicitor. Ordered: That the Treasurer be
and he is hereby authorized to borrow under the direction
of the Committee on Finance for the time being, a sum not
exceeding thirty two thousand five hundred dollars the same
to be appropriated to the purchase of a Grammar School House
site between Columbus Avenue and Ferdinand Street as
provided in the "Brown contract" approved June 20. 1864. Read
twice and passed. Yeas Aldermen Clapp, Dana, Davies, Denio,
Huck, Meringer, Nash, Norcross, Standish, Sprague, Stevens 11.
Nays none. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 29. Came up concurred.
Yeas 42. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor December 30. 1864

Loan

The report of the Committee
on Ordinances and the Ordinance submitted to the Board
at its last meeting in relation to the mode of filling vacan-
cies in the several city offices when occasioned by death or
resignation, were read a second time and passed. Sent
down for concurrence. Dec. 29. Same up concurred. Approved
by the Mayor December 30. 1864.

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Dec. 28. 1864.

Offices.

vacancies

The Committee on Claims, to
whom was referred the petition of James C. Rogers for compensa-
tion for recruiting services in 1862, have considered the same
and respectfully recommend that the petitioner have leave
to withdraw. For the Committee, Otis Norcross, Chairman. Read
and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 29. Same up
concurred.

Rogers

The report and Ordinance in
relation to the Water Works which were submitted to the
Board at its last meeting were read a second time and
were passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Water

Works

The Committee on Claims
to whom was referred the petition of Elizabeth Libbey to be
compensated for the loss of her husband by the explosion of
fireworks on Boston Common July 4. 1857, reported that the peti-
tioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Otis Norcross,
Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec.
29. Same up concurred.

Libbey

The Ordinance in relation to
Mount Hope Cemetery, which provides for the election of a new
Board of Trustees in a new organization in February next

Mount Hope
Cemetery

668. and which ordinance was submitted to the Board at its Dec. 28. 1864. last meeting, was read a second time and was passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 29. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, December 30. 1864.

Marriner

Ordered: That the City Treasurer abate the assessment for construction of a sidewalk against the estate of Rebecca Marriner on Tilton Street amounting to fifteen dollars and twenty cents, on account of inability to pay. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 29. 1864.

Boston
Dispensary

The Committee on the Assessors' Department, to whom was referred the petition of F. E. Parker, Treasurer of the Boston Dispensary, for abatement of taxes respectfully Report: That the Boston Dispensary Building has been occupied since October 1862, exclusively for the purposes of the Dispensary, and was therefore legally exempt from taxation in 1863. The Treasurer, however, paid the taxes assessed, as in previous years, and now asks that the amount paid be refunded. The Committee recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, H. A. Stearns, Chairman. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to refund to F. E. Parker, Treasurer of the Boston Dispensary, the sum of one hundred and forty-nine dollars and fifty cents, the same being the amount of taxes assessed upon said Dispensary for the year 1863. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, December 29. 1864.

Lovell

Place

Whereas, pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the nineteenth day of September a nuisance has been abated in Lovell Place, the cost of which

was two hundred and fifteen ⁴⁰/₁₀₀ dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

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Dec. 28 1862

Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the thirteenth day of May a nuisance has been abated in Lovell and Bitterica Street, the cost of which was seventy two ⁹/₁₀₀ dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Lovell &
Bitterica
Streets

Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the twelfth day of September a nuisance has been abated in Foster Place, the cost of which was two hundred and twenty six ³⁹/₁₀₀ dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to

Foster
Place

670 their respective names as their proportional part of the ex-
Dec. 28, 1864 pense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is
ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties
aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Carriages
Wagons

Ordered, that the Committee
on Ordinances on the part of this Board be instructed to in-
quire into the expediency of so amending Sect. 39 of the Rules
and Regulations on Carriages as to include loads of coal
in its provisions.

Manson

The Committee on Steam Engines
re. reported that leave be granted to Manson and Peterson to
erect a Steam Engine near Locust Street and between Liver-
port and Border Streets subject to the control of the Commit-
tee on Steam Engines.

Carter
Barrell

On petition of Chandler Carter,
and David P. Barrell for abatement of tax the Committee on
the Assessors Department reported leave to withdraw. Read
and accepted.

Cooper
Fremont
Theatre

Leave was granted to Cooper &
Howard to give Dramatic Exhibitions at the Fremont Theatre
to commence January 2^d 1865 on the usual conditions.

Davis
South Burial
Ground

The Committee on Cemeteries
to whom was recommended the subject of the proposed deed
of a strip of land from the South Burial Ground to George H.
Davis submitted the following order: Ordered: That the Mayor
be and he is hereby authorized to convey to George H. Davis
a certain parcel of land on the northeasterly part of the
South Burial Ground, bounded and described as follows.

viz: Beginning at a point on the northwesterly side of 671.

James Street, distant sixty four feet southwesterly from Dec. 28. 1861.
the westerly corner of James and Newton Streets; thence running southwesterly bounded by said James Street twenty six feet; thence northwesterly parallel to said Newton Street, two hundred and ninety five feet and ten inches; thence northeasterly parallel to Washington Street and distant ten feet and six inches therefrom, fifteen feet and six inches; thence southeasterly parallel to said Newton Street, one hundred and eighty five feet and eight inches; thence northeasterly at right angles to the last described line, ten feet and six inches; and thence southeasterly parallel to said Newton Street, one hundred and ten feet and three inches to the point of beginning: containing five thousand seven hundred and forty three and two thirds square feet, more or less. And also to release to said Davis all the right title and interest which the City have in and to another parcel of land adjoining the above described parcel, and bounded and described as follows, viz: Beginning at a point on the southeasterly side of Washington Street, distant sixty four feet and one inch southwesterly from the southerly corner of Washington and Newton Streets; thence running southwesterly bounded by Washington Street, twenty six feet; thence southeasterly parallel to said Newton Street, ten feet and six inches; thence northwesterly parallel to Washington Street, fifteen feet and six inches; thence southeasterly again parallel to Newton Street, one hundred and eighty five feet and eight inches; thence northeasterly at right angles to the last described line, ten

672 feet and six inches; and thence northwardly parallel to
Dec 28. 1861 said Newton Street, one hundred and ninety six feet and
two and one half inches to the point of beginning: contain-
ing two thousand two hundred and twenty two and three
quarters square feet, more or less. Upon payment by the said
Davis to the City thereof of the sum of five thousand seven
hundred and forty three and ⁶⁷/₁₀₀ dollars, and also upon the
condition that said Davis shall build a new wall upon the
southwesterly line of the first mentioned parcel of land, accord-
ing to a plan and specification thereof made by N. Henry Crafts,
City Engineer, dated December 5th 1861. ^A Provided however, that
the said conveyance of the above described land shall be up-
on the condition that a strip of said land not less than ten
feet wide on the southwesterly side thereof, extending from
Washington Street to James Street, shall be laid out and for-
ever kept open and unobstructed by the said Davis, his heirs
and assigns, and that the said City and its assigns shall
at all times have the right of passage over and upon said
strip; and also that no building shall ever be erected on that
portion of said land hereby conveyed extending from Washing-
ton Street to the westerly line of land now owned by said Davis. ^B
And upon the further condition that the said Davis shall ex-
ecute and deliver to Dr. Calvin Stevens a good and sufficient
deed of so much of the land hereby conveyed as lies in the
rear of the said Stevens' estate from its present southwesterly
boundary to the said 10-foot passageway. Read once

Adjourned to Saturday next at twelve o'clock. M

At a Special meeting of the 673

Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at Mechanics' Hall on Saturday the thirty first day of December. Anno Domini 1864. at ten and a half o'clock, A.M. by order of the Mayor. Dec. 31. 1864

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Colapitt.

A notice of the claim of A. and Child

A. C. Child to the fee of Thurston Place was read and placed on Thurston Place file.

Ordered: That the City Messenger Documents

procure the suitable binding of the City Documents for the year 1864, one for each member of the City Council. Taken in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor December 31. 1864

Ordered: That the following Bills

bills for services rendered or materials furnished by persons connected directly or indirectly with the City Government be paid provided they are approved in the usual manner, viz: Sumner Crosby one thousand and thirty one dollars and eleven cents. Standish and Woodbury three hundred and ninety one dollars and sixty five cents; one hundred and fifteen dollars and sixty five cents; ninety six dollars and forty six cents; twenty three dollars and fifty cents. William Carpenter two hundred and fifteen dollars; one hundred and seventy eight dollars and twenty five cents; seventy five dollars; seventy five dollars; thirty dollars. George W. Sprague, two hundred and forty eight dollars and forty six cents; eighty five dollars and forty

674 nine cents. A. B. and L. H. Spring one hundred and four dollars
Dec. 31. 1864 and fifty six cents; forty three dollars and ninety five cents; twenty
two dollars and fourteen cents; sixteen dollars; W. W. Clapp, Jr.
Twenty three dollars. A. W. Pratt forty dollars and ninety three
cents; twenty eight dollars and fifty cents. J. Dunbar sixty seven
dollars. D. Chamberlin six dollars and seventy four cents.
J. W. Lincoln, Jr. 76° fifty four dollars. Denio & Roberts forty nine
dollars. Fuller, Gaffield 76° thirty four dollars and fifty cents.
Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read
and concurred. Approved by the Mayor December 31. 1864.

Bills

Ordered, That the following
bills for services rendered or materials furnished by persons
connected directly or indirectly with the City Government
be paid provided they are approved and allowed in the
usual manner, viz: H. F. Hall, one hundred and ninety
nine dollars and forty two cents; Granville Mears five dol-
lars and five cents. Read twice and passed. Sent down for
concurrence. December 31. came up concurred. Approved by
the Mayor December 31. 1864.

Back Bay Indenture.

Streets & Drainage

An Indenture between the City
of Boston the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the
Water Power Company in relation to the streets and sewerage
of the Back Bay Land, was read to the Board and thereupon
it was Ordered, That the Joint Special Committee on Back
Bay Streets and Drainage be and they are hereby autho-
rized and empowered to conclude the agreement with the
Commonwealth and Boston Water Power Company, which
has been drawn by the City Solicitor and approved by the

Mayor. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. *Appo* 675
red by the Mayor December 31. 1864.

Dec. 31. 1864.

Telegraph
Wires

Whereas there are within
the city limits numerous private telegraph wires the use of
which has been discontinued by the council, and which are in
many places broken down, and whereas said lines interfere
with the proper working of the Fire Alarm and Police Telegraph
it is Ordered: That the Superintendent of Fire Alarms be and
is hereby ordered to notify the owners of such private wires to
remove them at once, and if they are not removed within ten
days after such notification, the Superintendent of Fire Alarms
is hereby directed to remove them at the expense of said
owners. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence.
Dec. 31. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 31. 1864.

The Common Council hav-
ing concurred with the Board in the passage of the ordi-
nance establishing a water rate for water used by large
consumers with this amendment, however, insert at the
close of said ordinance "Provided that all persons or corpo-
rations that are supplied with water through metres shall
pay at the rate of two and one half cents per one hundred
gallons." said action came up for concurrence and the ques-
tion being on the adoption of said amendment, Alderman
Denio submitted to the Board a petition from Henry L.
Parker and others to be heard before said rates were estab-
lished by the city and he thereupon moved to reduce the
price named in said amendment to two cents which motion
did not prevail. He thereupon moved that the proposed Ordin-

Water
Rules

Dec. 31. 1864

ance and the petition be referred to the Locustate Water Board with instructions to hear the petitioner which motion was adopted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Unfinished
business
joint.

Ordered: That all matters of an unfinished nature in the hands of the several Joint Standing Committees be referred to the next City Council. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, December 31. 1864.

Washburn
Merrimac
Street

Ordered: That there be paid to William Washburn the sum of twenty four thousand and five and $\frac{63}{100}$ dollars, for land taken to widen Merrimac Street, by a Resolue of the Board of Aldermen, passed September 5. 1864, in accordance with an award made Dec. 29. 1864 by Joziah Greely, Job A. Turner and John N. Handlike, referees, upon his giving to the City a Bond for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 31. 1864.

Cross Street.
Goodnow
Estate
City
Hospital

Ordered, That there be paid to the Trustees of the City Hospital, the sum of five hundred and twenty three and $\frac{56}{100}$ dollars, for land taken to widen Cross Street, from the Goodnow Estate; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor. December 31. 1864.

The Committee on the rais-

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ing of the territory in the neighborhood of Church Street, and Dec. 31. 1864. between Dorset and Castle Streets, respectively. Report: That Church

the commissioners appointed by the committee for negotiating Street grades with the owners of estates upon the territory in question have attended to that duty and have submitted reports indicating

that a large portion of the owners will be inclined to meet the city on fair terms in the proposed raising, while others, apparently animated by the idea that the city is bound to do the whole work, refuse to consent to any equitable arrangement. This matter is of such great importance that the committee have felt anxious to secure the cooperation of the persons immediately concerned, before actually commencing any raising operations; and have made such progress that they believe it will be in the power of the next City Council to carry into effect an equitable and comprehensive plan for accomplishing this much needed public improvement. They therefore recommend that the subject be referred to the next City Council for the Committee. His Honor's, Chairman. In Common Council. Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The Joint Standing Committee City Debt.

on the Reduction of the City Debt on the year 1864, respectfully report to the City Council that the following exhibit made Reduction of Report of Committee on up from the books of the Treasurer and Auditor, show the indebtedness of the city at the close of business on the 24th inst. Taking up the subject at the commence of the present financial year, Nov. 1, 1864, we find that the consolidated funded Debt on that day, as will be seen by the Auditor's Re-

678. port, N^o 52, page 234, was \$ 11,015,732.77
Dec. 31. 1864 which was nominally divided as follows:-

City Debt	\$ 8,023,021.66	
Water Debt	<u>2,992,711.11</u>	11,015,732.77

Since that time loans have been negotiated,
on various orders of the City Council, to the
amount of

488,500.00

Making \$ 11,504,232.77

Deducting from this amount all the debts
which have become due in this financial

year, and which have been paid at maturity, viz: 124,000.00

We have left at this time a funded debt of \$ 11,380,232.77

To which is to be added for loans already
authorized, but not yet negotiated

238,000.00

Making a total of funded and unfunded
debt at this time, of

\$ 11,618,232.77

This Debt the Auditor classifies as follows:-

City Debt proper	\$ 3,331,182.94	
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Water Debt (net cost of works)	6,302,199.83	
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War Debt	<u>1,984,850.00</u>	\$ 11,618,232.77
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Total Debt December 24, 1864		\$ 11,618,232.77
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" " " 1863		<u>11,248,732.77</u>
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Increase of Debt in 1864		<u>\$ 369,500.00</u>
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Which increase is accounted for as follows:-

War Debt, Dec. 24, 1864,	\$ 1,984,850.00	
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" " " 1863,	<u>1,958,850.00</u>	
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Increase 1864		\$ 26,000.00
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Water Debt, Dec. 24, 1864,	\$ 6,302,199.83	
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" " " 1863,	<u>6,155,840.97</u>	\$ 11,618,232.77
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City Debt, proper, December 24, 1864, \$3,331,182.94

674.

City Debt, proper, December 24, 1863, 3,134,035.80

214,117.14

Dec. 31, 1864

Net increase as above stated

\$ 369,500.00

Means of paying off the Debt.

The books of the Treasurer and Auditor show that the means of paying the debt of the City consist of the following items, all of which are, by ordinance, specially appropriated for that object, viz:

Cash balance in the Treasury May 1, 1864, to the credit of the Committee on the Reduction of the City Debt, as stated in the Auditor's Report, No. 52,

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\$ 1,204,632.15

Cash received since that time, being payments made at the City Treasury on Bonds and Mortgages then on hand

48,808.37

Cash received from sales of Public Lands not included in the above item

2,931.28

Cash from the annual City Tax for 1864, being the amount appropriated by the City Council for this object

300,000.00

1,556,371.80

Deduct - payments made on City Debt since May 1, 1864

124,000.00

1,432,371.80

Add - Bonds and Mortgages now on hand, all of which are considered good

164,662.89

\$1,597,034.69

The consolidated Debt of the City funded and unfunded, Dec. 24, 1864, amounts to \$11,618,232.77

Means on hand of paying the same 1,597,034.69

680 Net Debt, December 24, 1864 \$ 10,021,198.08

Dec. 31, 1864 The consolidated Debt of the City funded and unfunded, Dec. 24, 1863, was \$11,248,732.77

Means then on hand 1,307,078.27

Net Debt, Dec. 24, 1863 \$ 9,941,654.50

Net increase in 1864 79,543.58

\$ 10,021,198.08

Increase of gross Debt in 1864, \$369,500.00

Increase of means in 1864 289,956.42

Net increase as above stated in 1864 \$ 79,543.58

J. W. Lincoln, Jr., Mayor. George I. Hale, President of the Common Council. William Cumston, Chairman of the Committee on Finance on the part of the Common Council. In Common Council. Accepted and ordered to be printed. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. (City Document 87.)

Davis. The order to convey a certain
South Burial strip of land in the South Burial Ground to George N. Davis
Ground upon certain terms and conditions as therein indicated, and which order was submitted to the Board at its last meeting was read a second time and the following amendments thereto were adopted at A. insert "or in lieu thereof a suitable iron fence of such pattern and construction as shall be approved by the Committee on Cemeteries" at B. strike out "said Davis" and insert "Calvin Stevens". The order as thus amended was then referred to the next Board of Aldermen.

tion on the part of this Board to whom was referred the last report of the Inspector of Prisons, have considered the subject and report that it is inexpedient to take any action thereon. For the Committee George H. Heringer Chairman. Read and accepted.

Dec 31. 1864.

Prisons

The Committee on laying out and widening streets submitted a final report of their action during the year and exhibiting the condition of the business which has not been completed this day. Read, accepted and ordered to be printed. (See City Document No 98)

Streets

On motion of Alderman Stan- dish the Board took from the table the proposed location for the Broadway and Metropolitan Railroad companies at South Boston and upon Lower Street Bridge and vicinity as heretofore recorded. Whereupon on motion of Alderman Stevens both subjects were indefinitely postponed.

Broadway
Railroad.Metropolitan
Railroad

Ordered: That all matters of an unfinished nature in the hands of the several Standing Committees of this Board be referred to the next Board of Aldermen.

Unfinished
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No other business appearing before the Board Alderman Stevens with some appropriate remarks submitted the following resolve. Resolved: That the thanks of this Board be extended to His Honor the Mayor for his uniform courtesy and for the able and impartial manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of

Mayor.
Thanks to.

682. this Board. The foregoing resolve was passed unanimously.
Dec. 31. 1864 and His Honor the Mayor replied thereto.

Chairman.

thanks to.

Alderman Messinger then submitted the following resolution - Resolved: That the thanks of this Board be extended to Alderman Etis Norcross, Chairman of the Board for the able and efficient manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office and for his devotion to the interests of the City.

This resolve was also passed unanimously and Alderman Norcross made thereto an appropriate reply.

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Ordered, That the addresses of His Honor the Mayor and of the Chairman of this Board together with the closing proceedings be printed for the use of the Board.

On motion of Alderman Dana the Board then adjourned sine die.

Wm. H. McLean

City Clerk

I, the underscriber, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true Record of proceedings of the Board of Aldermen for the year 1864, pages 1. to 682 inclusive.

Attest.

Wm. H. McLean

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